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## **Columbia River Comprehensive Impact Assessment**

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Figure P.1. Map of Hanford Site

 Table P.1. Documents in Initial Phase of Columbia River Comprehensive Impact Assessment

		Publication	
Title	Document No.	Date	Status
Data Compendium for the Columbia	PNL-9785	April 1994	Final publication
River Comprehensive Impact			
Assessment (Eslinger et al. 1994)			
List of Currently Classified Docu- ments Relative to Hanford Operations and of Potential Use in the Columbia River Comprehensive Impact Assessment January 1, 1973 - June 20, 1994 (Miley and Huesties	PNL-10459	February 1995	Final publication
1995)			
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	Rev. 0		section in the Screening Assessment
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			Requirements for a Comprehensive
			Assessment report
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	Rev. 0		will be a section in the Screening
			Assessment and Requirements for a
			Comprehensive Assessment report
Columbia River Comprehensive	DOE/RL-96-16	July 1996	To be published as a draft - Will
Impact Assessment: Screening	Rev. 0		incorporate all previous draft
Assessment and Requirements for a			publications (not those published as
Comprehensive Assessment			final) plus sections on site
			characterization, screening assessment
			of risk, and CRCIA Team statement of work to be done after the initial phase
			work to be done after the initial phase

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Impact Assessment: Screening	Rev. 1		responses to comments and minority
Assessment and Requirements for a			opinions should any comments not be
Comprehensive Assessment			reconciled

## **Preface**

The protection of the Columbia River is of special interest to the public, government, and tribal governments as a source of drinking water, for crop irrigation, as ecological habitat, for recreation, and as a cultural resource. Because of past nuclear production operations along the Columbia River, there is intense public and tribal interest in assessing any residual Hanford Site related contamination along the river from the Hanford Reach to the Pacific Ocean. The Columbia River Comprehensive Impact Assessment was proposed to address these concerns.

## **Background**

From 1944-1987, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) conducted nuclear production operations along the Hanford Reach of the Columbia River (see Figure P.1). The Hanford Reach extends 85 kilometers (51 miles) downstream from Priest Rapids Dam to the head of the McNary Pool near the city of Richland, Washington. These past nuclear operations resulted in the release of hazardous chemicals and radionuclides to the Columbia River. Current conditions of the Columbia River reflect that contamination is reaching the river primarily via the groundwater pathway. Seeps, an extension of groundwater flow, and biota also contribute to the Hanford-origin contamination present in the river.

The area where the nuclear materials were produced is known as the Hanford Site. Four areas of the Hanford Site (the 100, 200, 300, and 1100 Areas) have been placed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on the national priorities list for cleanup. The national priorities list is a component of the *Comprehensive Environmental Response*, *Compensation*, *and Liability Act of 1980* (CERCLA) (42 USC 9601) enacted by the U.S. Congress.

The cleanup of the Hanford Site is a joint activity of three government agencies: DOE, EPA, and the Washington State Department of Ecology. These Tri-Party agencies have signed an agreement known officially as the *Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order* and unofficially as the Tri-Party Agreement (Ecology et al. 1994). Milestones have been adopted for the Tri-Party Agreement that identify actions needed to ensure acceptable progress toward Hanford Site compliance with CERCLA, the *Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976* (42 USC 6901), and the *Washington State Hazardous Waste Management Act* (RCW 1985).

During 1993, the Tri-Party agencies began work toward a comprehensive assessment of the impact of past nuclear operations on the current conditions of the Columbia River (DOE 1994). In January 1994, a revision to the Tri-Party Agreement (Change Order number M-13-93-06) adjusted the

milestones designed to address cleanup strategies and achieve timely remedial decisions and actions concerning the Columbia River. This change order included a new Milestone, M-15-80 (formerly M-13-80b), that established the Columbia River Comprehensive Impact Assessment (CRCIA). In December 1995, a follow-on change order (M-15-95-09) modified the milestone, enhancing the review process and specifying target dates.

## **CRCIA Long-Term and Short-Term Objectives**

Because the scope and priorities of CRCIA have been controversial, the Columbia River Comprehensive Impact Assessment Management Team (CRCIA Team) was formed in August 1995 to advise the Tri-Party agencies. The CRCIA Team meets weekly to share information and provide input to decisions made by the Tri-Party agencies concerning CRCIA. Representatives from the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Hanford Advisory Board, Nez Perce Tribe, Oregon State Department of Energy, and Yakama Indian Nation have been active participants on the team. The specific goals of the CRCIA Team are:

- provide recommendations on the CRCIA work being conducted by the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
- provide recommendations on future work necessary for the assessment to be comprehensive
- represent public, tribal, and affected government interests
- act as an information resource for future decisions on remedial measures

The long-term objective of CRCIA (according to the CRCIA "Project Management Team Charter," dated October 1995) is to focus on the current impact of Hanford Site activities on the Columbia River and the resulting impact on human health and the environment. The comprehensive assessment will evaluate the extent of any resulting contamination and determine the current human and ecological risk from the Columbia River attributable to past and present activities at the Hanford Site. Human risk from exposure to radioactive and hazardous materials will be addressed for a range of river use options. Ecological resources in the study area will be evaluated to determine if current contaminant conditions pose significant hazards to biological communities. Information collected will be used in remedial action decisions for the Hanford Site.

The assessment of the Columbia River is being conducted in phases. The initial phase is a screening assessment of risk, which addresses current environmental conditions for a range of potential uses. Specifically, the short-term objectives of the work in this initial phase (according to an agreement signed by the CRCIA Team, dated October 1995) are:

- 1. Perform an assessment of contaminants derived from the Hanford Site (existing conditions including residual contaminants from past operations) in a screening assessment of risk to support the Interim Remedial Measures decisions
- 2. Compile and make available to the public the approximately 2000 documents identified in Appendix A of the data compendium (Eslinger et al. 1994); pertinent supporting Hanford Site data will be made available
- 3. Work with the declassification efforts of the Hanford Advisory Board to identify the Columbia

River documents as a high priority for release

- 4. Define the essential work remaining to provide an acceptable comprehensive river impact assessment; this work will be documented in the same report as the screening assessment of risk
- 5. Provide data from numbers 2 and 3 above for reconciliation against the risk assessment

The Tri-Party agencies are conducting CRCIA. The primary contractor for the initial phase of the CRCIA work is the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory. Bechtel Hanford, Inc. provides technical and public involvement coordination with environmental restoration activities. Technical peer reviewers are evaluating the work. Their review comments are compiled by the Directors of the Oregon Water Resources Research Institute and State of Washington Water Research Center and forwarded to DOE for resolution.

## Scope of the Initial Phase of CRCIA

The scope of the initial phase of CRCIA is to provide a screening assessment of the current risk to humans and the environment resulting from Hanford-derived contaminants. For the initial phase of CRCIA, the segment of the Columbia River from Priest Rapids Dam (first impoundment upstream of the Hanford Site) to McNary Dam (first impoundment downstream of the Hanford Site) was selected as the study area. The parameters of the scope are:

Area: Columbia River (Priest Rapids Dam to McNary Dam), groundwater (0.8

kilometer/0.5 mile in from the river), and adjacent riparian zone

Time: January 1990 - February 1996 (date data were received for use in the screening

assessment) with data gaps filled by earlier data where available

Contaminants: Published in Napier et al. (1995)

Receptor Species: Published in this report

Media: Surface water, sediment, groundwater, external radiation, seeps and springs,

biota

## **Work Integration and Documentation**

The results of the initial phase of CRCIA are being reported in a series of documents (see Table P.1). These reports reflect the process involved in the screening assessment of risk. First the documents containing pertinent data were identified. That information was published in two reports (Eslinger et al. 1994 and Miley and Huesties 1995), which were issued as final documents.

These data documents helped to identify Hanford Site contaminants that affect the Columbia River.

The winnowing process used to determine which of those contaminants should be evaluated in the screening assessment of risk was published in Napier et al. (1995) as a draft. The comments on the draft are being incorporated, and the contaminants information will appear as a section in the draft of the report on the screening assessment and requirements for a comprehensive assessment.

Next, potential groups of people with different exposures to the Columbia River were identified. With information from the Hanford Site Risk Assessment Methodology (DOE 1995) and with input from the CRCIA Team, scenarios were written defining the pathways and exposures for the various groups. Input from the scenarios will be used in the screening assessment of human risk. The scenarios are described in Napier et al. (1996).

Simultaneously, a focusing process was used to identify the receptor species and select those to be evaluated in the screening assessment of ecological risk. The focusing process and the results are provided in this report.

The monitoring data available, the lists of contaminants and species to be evaluated, and the selection rules developed by the CRCIA Team determined which data were selected for use in the screening assessment of human and ecological risk.

As with the contaminants report, the scenarios, receptor species, and data selection reports are being published first as drafts for review. The reports published first as drafts will be compiled into one document on the screening assessment and requirements for a comprehensive assessment. That document will provide the results of the screening assessment and a definition of the essential work remaining to provide an acceptable comprehensive river impact assessment.

## **Summary**

Because of past nuclear production operations along the Columbia River, there is intense public and tribal interest in assessing any residual Hanford Site related contamination along the river from the Hanford Reach to the Pacific Ocean. The Columbia River Comprehensive Impact Assessment was proposed to address these concerns. The assessment of the Columbia River is being conducted in phases. The initial phase is a screening assessment of risk, which addresses current environmental conditions for a range of potential uses.

One component of the screening assessment estimates the risk from contaminants in the Columbia River to the environment. The objective of the ecological risk assessment is to determine whether contaminants from the Columbia River pose a significant threat to selected receptor species that exist in the river and riparian communities of the study area. This report 1) identifies the receptor species selected for the screening assessment of ecological risk and 2) describes the selection process. The screening assessment of ecological risk will be reported in a later document.

The species selection process consisted of two tiers. In Tier I, a master species list was developed that included many plant and animal species known to occur in the aquatic and riparian systems of the Columbia River between Priest Rapids Dam and the Columbia River estuary. This master list was reduced to 368 species that occur in the study area (Priest Rapids Dam to McNary Dam). A panel of regional biologists from federal and state resource management agencies developed a set of six criteria that were applied to each of the study area species. Ninety-three study area species were identified using these six criteria. The Columbia River Comprehensive Impact Assessment Management Team (CRCIA Team) added an additional 88 species to these 93 to create a list of 181 Tier I species.

In Tier II, the 181 Tier I species were qualitatively ranked based on a scoring of their potential exposure and sensitivity to contaminants using a conceptual exposure model for the study area. In this model, species were scored based on 1) potential dietary exposure to biomagnifying and non-biomagnifying contaminants, 2) potential dermal and inhalation exposure to contaminants, 3) potential exposure to contaminated media weighted to reflect their relative importance at the two types of source areas (outfall and in-river), 4) exposure duration, and 5) sensitivity to contaminants. The CRCIA Team identified 65 of the 181 species as tentative Tier II receptor species based on their rank and ecological importance. These 65 were further reduced to 43 final Tier II receptor species by excluding those with the lowest rank, those that virtually never use the river and riparian areas, and those within the same foraging guild that have the largest body weight (Table S.1). These 43 Tier II receptor species are those for which contaminant exposures and effects will be analyzed in the screening assessment of ecological risk, which will be reported in a later document.

Table S.1. Tier II Receptor Species

	Rank Based on Grand	Rank Based on Composite	Selected by CRCIA Team as Tentative Tier II Receptor	Final Tier II
Taxa/Species*	Average Exposure Scores	Effect Scores	Species	Receptor Species
Algae				
Periphyton	1	1	*	+
Amphibians				
Bullfrog	1	1	*	+
Spadefoottoad	2	1	*	(b)
Woodhouse's toad	2	1	*	(b)
Aquatic Invertebrates				
Caddisfly	1	1	*	(b)
Crayfish	1	1	*	+
Fresh water shrimp	1	1	*	+
Mayfly	1	1	*	+
Midge	1	1	*	(b)
Clams/mussels/Snails	1	1	*	+
Water flea	10	10	*	+
Birds				
American coot	1	1	*	+
Common snipe	3	2	*	+
Diving ducks (e.g., bufflehead)	7	20	*	+
Goose/Mallard	8	5	*	+
Great blue heron	8	5	*	+
American white pelican	11	7	*	+
Common merganser	11	21	*	(b)
Forster's tern	11	21	*	+
Pied-billed grebe	11	7	*	(b)
California quail	17	11	*	+
Red-wingedblackbird	17	23	*	(b)
Cliff swallow	21	25	*	+
Belted kingfisher	22	26	*	(b)
Osprey	22	26	*	(b)
Bald eagle	24	28	*	+
Northern harrier	26	13	*	+
American kestrel	29	16	*	+
Barn owl	29	16	*	(c)
Emergent Vegetation		-		
Columbia yellowcress	1	1	*	+
Common cattail	1	1	*	(b)
Rush (all)	1	1	*	+
Fish		-		<u> </u>
Channel catfish	1	1	*	+
Largescale sucker	2	2	*	+
Mountain sucker	2	2	*	+
Paiute sculpin	4	4	*	(b)
Carp	6	6	*	+
Mountain whitefish	6	6	*	+

Table S.1. (contd)

Taxa/Species*	Rank Based on Grand Average Exposure Scores	Rank Based on Composite Effect Scores	Selected by CRCIA Team as Tentative Tier II Receptor Species	Final Tier II Receptor Species
White sturgeon	6	6	*	+
Pacific lamprey	9	16	*	+
Shiner	9	9	*	(b)
Salmon (all)	12	17	*	+
Squawfish	12	11	*	(c)
Trout (bull and rainbow)	12	11	*	(b)
Steelhead	18	18	*	+
Fungi	1	1	*	+
Macrophytes				
Water milfoil	1	1	*	(b)
Duckweed	3	3	*	(b)
Mammals				
Muskrat	1	1	*	+
Beaver	3	3	*	+
Coyote	3	3	*	(b)
Raccoon	3	3	*	+
Mule deer	7	7	*	(b)
Great Basin pocket mouse	8	8	*	(a)
Weasel	8	8	*	+
Western harvest mouse	8	8	*	+
Reptiles				
Western garter snake	1	1	*	+
Terrestrial Vegetation				
Black cottonwood	1	1	*	+
Columbia milk vetch	1	1	*	(a)
Dense sedge	1	1	*	+
Fern	1	1	*	+
Mulberry	1	1	*	+
Reed canary grass	1	1	*	+
Rushes	1	1	*	+
Willow (all)	1	1	*	(b)

<sup>\*</sup> Terrestrial invertebrates are not included in this table because no species in this taxon were selected by the CRCIA Team as tentative Tier II receptor species.

+ One of the 43 Tier II receptor species

a. Species that virtually never occur in the river or riparian zone

b. Species with a life style similar to that of another Tier II receptor species

c. Species with low grand average exposure scores



## **Glossary**

100 Areas sites of the Hanford production reactors, which include B, C, D, DR, F,

H, KE, KW, and N Reactors

**200 Areas** sites of the Hanford chemical separations plants, which include the

bismuth phosphate process plants (B and T Plants), plutonium uranium extraction plant (A Plant/PUREX), and reduction and oxidation plants

(S Plant/REDOX)

**300 Area** site of the research, development and fuel-fabrication operations

1100 Area site of the warehouse, vehicle maintenance, and transportation

operations center

abiotic non-living or not derived from living material

biomagnifying having a tendency to occur in higher concentrations at higher food

chain levels through dietary accumulation

biota plants and animals

biotic referring to animals, plants, or their products

**carnivore** organism that feeds on animals

**CERCLA** Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability

Act of 1980

**concentration** amount of a specified substance(for example, a radioactive element) in

a unit amount of another substance (for example, river water, milk)

**conceptual model** a generic representation of a process or entity generalized from

particular instances

CRCIA Columbia River Comprehensive Impact Assessment

CRCIA Team Columbia River Comprehensive Impact Assessment Management

Team

**DOE** U.S. Department of Energy

**Ecology** Washington State Department of Ecology

**EPA** U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

**exposure** the process by which the temporally and spatially distributed

concentrations of a chemical in the environment are converted to a dose

foraging guild broad group of organisms that have a similar composition; examples

include carnivore and omnivore

**Hanford Reach** segment of the Columbia River that extends 85 kilometers (51 miles)

downstream from Priest Rapids Dam to the head of the McNary Pool

near the city of Richland, Washington

hazardous (chemicals) having the property of being toxic at some level of exposure; generally

used to differentiate from carcinogenic

**herbivore** organism that feeds on plants

**model** a representation of a process or entity; the representation may be

graphical or a set of mathematical equations that simulate the process

or entity being modeled; see also conceptual model

**non-biomagnifying** having a tendency to decrease in concentration at higher levels in the

food chain

**omnivore** organism that feeds on both plants and animals

**piscivore** organism that feeds on fish

**PNNL** Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

**production operations** activities connected with the production reactors (B, C, D, DR, F, H,

KE, KW, or N reactors) in which uranium or other fuel was irradiated with neutrons to produce radioactive materials; used primarily at Hanford to produce plutonium for weapons; used also for research

radionuclide radioactive isotope of an element

**RCRA** Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976

**reactor** see production operations

receptor species species to be evaluated for contaminant exposures and effects

**release** discharge of a substance into the environment

**risk assessment** estimation of the severity and likelihood of harm to human health or the

environment occurring from exposure to a particular substance or

activity

screening assessment of risk risk assessment with limited scope; for example, the initial phase of

CRCIA is a screening assessment of risk because it is restricted to 1) current conditions, 2) the area between Priest Rapids Dam and McNary Dam, 3) a limited number of contaminants, 4) a few selected receptor species, and 5) a limited amount of monitoring data; the objective of the screening assessment of risk is to identify areas where

significant potential exists for adverse effects

seeps locations where groundwater oozes to the surface

sensitivity susceptibility of an organism to adverse effects resulting from exposure

to contaminants

sensitivity analysis determination of the parameters and pathways that contribute most to

the uncertainty in exposure or effects calculations

sink medium in which contaminants are deposited and from which there is

little or no contaminant migration (for example, sediments immediately

upstream from McNary Dam)

**source** medium from which contaminants migrate into the surrounding

environment (for example, seeps and springs in the riparian area of the

Columbia River)

source term amount of radioactivity (curies) of a radionuclide or amount of a

chemical released to the environment at a given time

**springs** source of water issuing from the ground

toxicological benchmark quantitative summary of the results of a toxicity test

**TPA** Tri-Party Agreement (officially, Hanford Federal Facility Agreement

and Consent Order)

**uncertainty** a measure of variability in model parameters or dose estimates



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## Introduction

One component of the initial phase of the Columbia River Comprehensive Impact Assessment (CRCIA) is a screening assessment of risk to the environment. The objective of the ecological risk assessment is to determine whether Hanford derived contaminants from the Columbia River pose a significant threat to selected receptor species that exist in the river and riparian communities of the study area. This report 1) identifies the receptor species selected for the screening assessment of ecological risk and 2) describes the selection process. The screening assessment of ecological risk will be reported in a later document.

The Columbia River is a complex ecosystem consisting of numerous species. Once contaminants have entered into the riparian or aquatic communities, all species in the relevant food webs (Figures 1.1 and 1.2) may be considered potential receptors. For the purposes of the screening assessment of risk to the environment, the number of species to be evaluated were reduced to those that have a high potential for exposure to contaminants and that are important to the Columbia River Comprehensive Impact Assessment Management Team (CRCIA Team). This document describes the two-tier screening approach used to select the receptor species for this risk assessment.

The CRCIA assessment of risk to the environment is a screening study because it 1) is limited in its spatial and temporal scope and in the number of receptor species it evaluates and 2) addresses only the issue of whether contaminants exceed levels that harm identified receptor species. It will not attempt to address the average hazard of contaminants because this would require significantly more information on the temporal and spatial fluxes of contaminants and distributions of species than the scope of the screening assessment will allow. Instead, this risk assessment will evaluate direct effects to receptor species, in other words, those caused by exposure to contaminants. Indirect effects (for example, repercussions in the food chain that may result from direct effects to receptor species) at the population and community levels will be addressed if and where direct effects are found to be significant. The results of this risk assessment will serve to focus a subsequent and more comprehensive risk assessment which will likely evaluate 1) a larger segment of the Columbia River, 2) hazards posed by past and present contaminant fluxes, and 3) a larger number of receptor species.

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## 1.0 Ecosystem

The portion of the river within the study area (Priest Rapids Dam to McNary Dam) lies within the lower Columbia River Basin, which is a part of the western intermountain sagebrush steppe ecosystem (West 1988). The ecology of the aquatic and riparian systems within the study area has been studied extensively in the last 50 years, largely because of concerns about hydropower and reactor construction and operation. Major summaries of biological studies conducted in association with Hanford Site operations include Becker (1990) and Cushing (1994). Studies specific to biological resources of the river and riparian areas at the Hanford Site include Weiss and Mitchell (1992) and Landeen et al. (1993) for the 100 Areas and Brandt et al. (1993) for the 300 Area. Studies relating to the Washington Public Power Supply System reactors at the Hanford Site are summarized in Page et al. (1982). Studies in support of the proposed U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Ben Franklin Dam are summarized in Fickeisen et al. (1980). These documents will not be reviewed in this report. The reader is referred to the above sources for detailed discussions of the Hanford Reach and its biological resources. Key points of the riparian and aquatic systems under study are provided below. Common names are used in the following description. Appendix A provides the Latin nomenclature.

The Hanford Reach comprises the last unimpounded portion of the Columbia River in the United States above Bonneville Dam. It supports diverse plant, fish, and wildlife species that are locally abundant. Food webs that pictorially display the foraging interrelationships of species of the riparian and aquatic systems in the study area are presented in Figures 1.1 and 1.2, respectively.

## **Riparian Community**

The dominant riparian vegetation includes black cottonwood, bulrushes, cattail, reed canarygrass, white mulberry, willows, and numerous species of sedges and forbs. The riparian zone of the study area is known to include four plants on federal and/or Washington State protected species lists (Sackschewsky et al. 1992, WNHP 1994). These are Columbia yellowcress (state endangered, federal candidate), dense sedge (state sensitive), false pimpernel (state sensitive), and southern mudwort (state sensitive).

Fitzner and Gray (1991) listed 39 species of mammals known to occur on the Hanford Site. Brandt et al. (1993) identified 24 as occurring within the riparian zone of the Columbia River. Principal herbivorous species include beaver, deer mice, mule deer, and muskrats. Insectivorous species include several species of Myotis bats that forage primarily on emergent insects, and the northern grasshopper mouse and vagrant shrew that forage primarily on terrestrial insects and other arthropods. Omnivores include coyote, raccoon, and striped skunk. Predators include bobcat, mink, otter, and weasels. Five bat species that occur or potentially occur in the study area are listed as federal candidates under the Endangered Species Act (50 CFR 58982). Two other bats (the pallid bat and long-eared myotis bat) and the northern grasshopper mouse are listed as monitor species by Washington State (WDW 1994).

Weiss and Mitchell (1992) identified 103 bird species associated with the riparian community of

the Hanford Reach. These include species that use the area only during winter (for example, American widgeon, bald eagle), only during summer (for example, cliff swallow, Forster's tern,), or year-round (for example, barn owl, mallard). Principal herbivorous species include Canada geese and mallards. Principal omnivorous species include black-billed magpie, California quail, crow, the dabbling ducks (for example pintail and teal), raven, and ring-necked pheasant. Carnivores and insectivores comprise the bulk of the avifauna, which includes species such as bald eagle, belted kingfisher, black-crowned night heron, great blue heron, gulls, hawks, owls, shorebirds, swallows, and terns. Two birds, Aleutian Canada goose and bald eagle, are listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act. Three birds, black tern, ferruginous hawk, and little willow flycatcher, are listed as candidates under the Endangered Species Act (50 CFR 58982). Aleutian Canada goose, American white pelican, bald eagle, ferruginous hawk, and sandhill crane, are listed as either threatened or endangered by Washington State. Common loons are candidates for listing by Washington State (WDW 1994).

Amphibians in the study area include the bullfrog, Great Basin spadefoot, Pacific tree frog, and Woodhouse's toad (Brandt et al. 1993). None are abundant within the region. However, all use backwater areas of the Columbia River to complete their life cycles. Woodhouse's toad is listed as a monitor species by Washington State (WDW 1994).

Principal reptiles in the riparian zone include the gopher snake, painted turtle, side-blotched lizard, western garter snake, and western yellow-bellied racer (Fitzner and Gray 1991). The turtles are more often associated with ponds than the river but may be present in the sloughs where water velocities are low. None of the reptile species associated with the riparian zone are listed for protection by state or federal agencies.

## **Aquatic Community**

Aquatic vegetation is comprised of three general taxonomic groups: phytoplankton, periphyton, and macrophytes. Semi-aquatic or emergent vegetation, although generally rooted in standing water, is considered within the riparian vegetation described above. Diatoms dominate the Columbia River algae, comprising more than 90 percent of the biomass. The primary genera include *Asterionella*, *Cyclotella*, *Fragillaria*, *Melosira*, *Stephanodiscus*, and *Synedra* (Neitzel et al. 1982a, Brandt et al. 1993). The peak of phytoplankton abundance is in April and May with a secondary peak in late summer and early autumn. Periphyton develops on suitable substrate where light is sufficient for photosynthesis. Diatoms also predominate among this group. Macrophytes are sparse outside of McNary Pool and slack water areas because they require relatively low flow and a sediment substrate in which to root. Common species include curled leaf pondweed, duckweed, and water milfoil. Where present, macrophytes provide food and shelter for juvenile fish and spawning substrate for some species of fish.

Zooplankton are generally sparse in the study area (Neitzel et al. 1982b, Brandt et al. 1993). Dominant genera are *Bosmina*, *Cyclops*, *Diaptomus*. Densities are lowest during winter and highest during summer.

Benthic invertebrates (invertebrate species associated with the substrate rather than the water column) include all major fresh water benthic taxa (Brandt et al. 1993). The invertebrate fauna is dominated by insect larvae, particularly black flies, caddis flies, and midge flies. Other benthic organisms include crayfish, limpets, snails, and sponges. Larval insect densities peak during late fall and winter with peak emergence occurring during spring and summer. Benthic invertebrates are important food items for nearly all juvenile and adult fish in the study area. Two molluscs, the California floater and Columbia pebblesnail, are listed as candidates for protection under the Endangered Species Act (50 CFR 58982). The pebblesnail and shortface lanx (another mollusc) are Washington State candidate species (WDW 1994).

A total of 44 species of fish are known to occur in the Hanford Reach (Gray and Dauble 1977, Cushing 1994). Chinook, coho, and sockeye salmon and steelhead trout use the Reach as a migration corridor to and from upstream spawning areas. The Hanford Reach supports the only major spawning habitat for the upriver bright race of fall chinook salmon within the main stem of the Columbia River (Dauble and Watson 1990). American shad (Cushing 1994) and steelhead trout (Gray and Dauble 1977) may also spawn within the study area. Of the fish species known to occur within the study area, two (bull trout and river lamprey) are candidates for listing under the Endangered Species Act (50 CFR 58982). However, collection of these two species has been rare (Gray and Dauble 1977). Four others (mountain sucker, Piute sculpin, reticulate sculpin, and sand roller) are listed as monitor species by Washington State (WDW 1994).

## 1.0 Screening Approach

To identify the receptor species that have a high potential for exposure to contaminants and that are important to the CRCIA Team, a two-tier screening approach was used (Figure 3.1).

## **Tier I Receptor Species Screen**

A list of Tier I receptor species was identified using the following protocol. A master species list was developed that included plant and animal species known to occur in riparian and aquatic systems of the Columbia River between Priest Rapids Dam and the Columbia River estuary. This master list was reduced to 368 species that occur within the study area. A panel of regional biologists developed a set of six criteria that were applied to each of the study area species. Ninety-three study area species were identified based on the scoring results of these six criteria. An additional 88 species provided by the CRCIA Team were added to these 93 to create a list of 181 Tier I species.

## 1.0.1 Master Species List

A master species list was assembled that included terrestrial and aquatic plant and animal species known to occur in riverine and riparian habitats of the Columbia River between Priest Rapids Dam and the Columbia River estuary. The master list was developed by selecting species from databases and records maintained by the following federal and state resource management agencies associated with the Columbia River and its environs:

Bonneville Power Administration, Northwest Environmental Database

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, Columbia River Bi-State Program

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Wildlife Diversity Plan

Oregon Natural Heritage Program

Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission, Coordinated Information System

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Black Water Island Research Area

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, McNary National Wildlife Refuge

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Umatilla National Wildlife Refuge

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Willapa National Wildlife Refuge

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Priority Habitats Database

Washington Department of Natural Resources Natural Heritage Program

Washington State Energy Office, Pacific Northwest Rivers Study

Species distributions and habitat preferences were also obtained from these agencies. The preponderance of information was from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service national wildlife refuges (Figure 3.2). Information on species distributions and habitat preferences was used to exclude species that primarily use upland areas. From the resulting master species list, 368 species were identified as those that occur within the study area (Appendix A).

Figure 3.1

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**Figure 3.2**. Locations of U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Wildlife Refuges Consulted for Preparation of the Master Species List

## 1.0.2 Study Area Species List

The 368 study area species were screened using a set of six criteria developed by a panel of regional biologists from federal and state resource management agencies (Table 3.1).

Table 3.1. Panel Members Who Developed the Criteria Used to Screen Study Area Species

Pacific Northwest National Laboratory	Federal and State Resource Management Agencies
D. Becker	L. Block (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service)
C. Brandt	P. Camp (Bureau of Land Management)
C. Cushing	C. Christiansen (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers)
D. Dabble	G. Dorsey (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers)
S. Friant	L. Fitzner (Washington Department of Wildlife)
D. Geist	D. Linehan (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service)
J. Hall	G. McCabe (National Marine Fisheries Service)
D. Maughan	L. Mettler (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers)
R. Mazaika	S. Norwood (Washington Department of Natural Resources)
D. Neitzel	T. Panskey (Bonneville Power Administration)
W. Rickard	D. Pock (Grant County Public Utility District)
M. Sackschewsky	D. Rondorf (National Biological Survey)
D. Schreffler	B. Shank (Bonneville Power Administration)
	D. Yon (Oregon Department of Environmental Quality)

The six criteria developed by the panel were:

- · commercial or recreational significance
- protection status under the Endangered Species Act or similar state legislation
- critical component of either the riparian or aquatic ecosystem, in other words, key predator or prey
- high potential exposure to contaminants
- · availability of toxicological benchmarks for the species
- suitably representative of a foraging guild

Each species received a "yes" or "no" response to each of the criteria. The number of "yes" responses for each criterion was arranged in a cumulative frequency distribution. Ninety-three species were above the 88th percentile of the distribution. The 88th percentile is the value that indicates the percent of a distribution that is equal to or below the distribution. Each of these had a "yes" response to three or more of the six criteria. This partial list of Tier I species was submitted to the CRCIA Team for review and input. Based on their recommendations, 88 species were added to provide a final list of 181 Tier I receptor species (Table 3.2 and Appendix B). These species provided a balanced representation of the taxa in the study area species list and were thus identified for further evaluation in the screening assessment of ecological risk.

## **Tier II Receptor Species Screen**

A list of Tier II receptor species was identified using the following protocol. The 181 Tier I receptor species were qualitatively ranked based on a scoring of their exposure and sensitivity to contaminants using a conceptual exposure model for the study area. In the model, species were scored based on 1) potential dietary exposure to biomagnifying and non-biomagnifying contaminants, 2) potential dermal and inhalation exposure to contaminants, 3) potential exposure to contaminated media weighted to reflect their relative importance at the two types of source areas (outfall and in-river), 4) exposure duration, and 5) sensitivity to contaminants.

The resulting scores were presented to the CRCIA Team. The CRCIA Team then identified 65 of these as tentative Tier II receptor species based on their rank and ecological importance. These 65 were further reduced to 43 final Tier II receptor species by excluding 1) those with the lowest rank, 2) those that virtually never use the river and riparian areas, and 3) those within the same foraging guild that have the largest body weight. These 43 Tier II receptor species are those for which contaminant exposures and effects will be analyzed in the screening assessment of ecological risk.

## 1.0.3 Methods

In general, the magnitude of an individual's exposure to a contaminant is a function of 1) the concentration of the contaminant in the media (in other words, air, groundwater, prey, sediment, soil, and surface water), 2) the number of media contacted by the individual, 3) the number of pathways (in other words, dermal, ingestion, inhalation) by which contaminated media may enter the organism, and 4) the duration of an individual's contact with the contaminated media.

To arrive at a simplified conceptual exposure model, species were first grouped by life style, in other words, as either fully aquatic, semi-aquatic, or primarily riparian. Within life styles, species were grouped primarily by major taxa, for example, amphibian, bird, fish, insect, mammal, plant, reptile. Within taxonomic groups, species were grouped largely by foraging strategy, for example, carnivore, herbivore, omnivore. These groups were qualitatively screened for potential exposure to contaminants in abiotic media using a general conceptual exposure model for contaminant source areas in the study area (Table 3.3). Each taxonomic group and foraging guild was evaluated to determine its potential exposure to these media at one or more critical life stages. Results are shown in Tables 3.4, 3.5, and 3.6 for aquatic, semi-aquatic, and terrestrial species, respectively.

**Table 3.3**. Contaminant Source Areas and Their Potentially Contaminated Media within the Study Area

(Filled cells indicate contaminated media at the source areas. Blank cells indicate media at the source areas that are not contaminated or have very low contamination levels relative to the other media.)

		Media							
Contaminant									
Source Areas	Sediment	Surface Water	Pore Water	Groundwater	Soil	Air			
Outfalls	•	•	•	•	•	•			
McNary Pool	•	•	•						
Sloughs	•	•	•						
Deep Holes	•	•	•						
Near-Shore Areas	•	•	•						

Of the 181 Tier I receptor species, some were grouped based on similar life styles and foraging strategies resulting in 120 species. The CRCIA Team added 5 species to the 120 for a total of 125 species to be scored for their potential exposure to contaminants using the conceptual exposure model described above. Scores were scaled to reflect the magnitude of a species' potential exposure to contaminants in each medium, the duration of exposure, and the sensitivity to contaminants. Species were scored specifically on:

- exposure to media, in other words, ingestion of prey with separate scores assigned for biomagnifying and non-biomagnifying contaminants, sediments/soils, pore water/groundwater, and surface water; dermal contact with sediments/soils, pore water/groundwater, and surface water; and inhalation of air-borne contaminants. All media scores were scaled from 1 to 4 to ensure that all pathways/media were considered of equal importance in their contribution to an individual's overall exposure. Sections 3.2.2-3.2.8 describe the basis of score assignments.
- exposure duration, in other words, residence time in the study area. Exposure duration scores were scaled from 1 to 4. Section 3.2.9 describes the basis of score assignments.

sensitivity to contaminants, which was estimated using the LD<sub>50</sub> (median lethal dose - the dose that is lethal to 50 percent of test organisms) for radiation exposure (Whicker and Schultz 1982).
 Sensitivity scores were also scaled from 1 to 4. Section 3.2.10 describes the basis of score assignments.

**Table 3.4**. General Conceptual Exposure Model Depicting Exposure Pathways/Media for Potential Aquatic Species

(Filled cells indicate scenarios where exposure pathways are complete at one or more life stages. Blank cells indicate scenarios where exposure pathways are incomplete.)

		Exposure Pathways/Media <sup>a</sup>					
		Dermal Exposure			Ingestion Exposure		
Primary Group	Secondary Group/Species	Sediment	Pore Water/ Groundwater	Surface Water	Sediment	Pore Water/ Groundwater	Surface Water
Primary producers	Algae	•b	•	•	NA <sup>c</sup>	NA	NA
	Macrophytes	•	•	•	•	•	NA
Invertebrates	Benthos	•	•		•	•	
	Zooplankton			•			•
	Macroscopic Arthropods	•	•	•	•	•	•
	Mollusks	•	•	•	•	•	•
Resident fish	Herbivores, e.g. • sucker	•d	•d	•	•	•	•
	Carnivores, e.g., rainbow trout squawfish sturgeon bass	•d	•d	•	•f	•f	•
Non-resident fish; i.e. anadromous species	Carnivores, e.g.  • lamprey  • shad  • chinook salmon	•d	•d		Anadromous species do not feed in the river		t feed in
Amphibians	Bullfrog	•	•	•	•g	•g	•g

a. The inhalation pathway is not applicable for species which respirate water; i.e., all of these aquatic species except the bullfrog. For the bullfrog the inhalation pathway is assumed to be complete.

b. All • = exposure at all life stages unless otherwise indicated.

c. NA = Not Applicable.

d. Exposure of eggs only.

e. Carnivorous fish include those which ingest invertebrates and/or other fish.

f. None for piscivores.

g. Exposure of larvae only.

**Table 3.5**. General Conceptual Exposure Model Depicting Exposure Pathways/Media for Potential Semi-Aquatic Species

(Filled cells indicate scenarios where exposure pathways are complete at one or more life stages. Blank cells indicate scenarios where exposure pathways are incomplete.)

		Exposure Pathways/Media <sup>a</sup>					
			Dermal Exposure		Ingestion Exposure		
Primary Group	Secondary Group/Species	Sediment/ Soil	Pore Water/ Groundwater	Surface Water	Sediment/ Soil	Pore Water/ Groundwater	Surface Water
Plants	Emergent Vegetation	•b	•	•	•	•	NAC
Birds	Wading Birds and Aquatic Insectivores	•		•	•	•	•
	Piscivores, e.g.  • merganser  • loon  • pelican  • cormorant	•d		•			•
	Herbivores, e.g. • redhead duck • goose/mallard	•d		٠			
Mammals	Carnivores, e.g. • river otter	•		•			•
	Herbivores, e.g. • beaver	•		•	•		•
	Omnivores, e.g. • muskrat	•		٠	•	٠	•
Amphibians	Woodhouse's toad	•	•e	•	•e	•e	•e

a. The inhalation pathway is assumed to be complete for these semi-aquatic species.

b. All • = exposure at all life stages unless otherwise indicated.

c. NA = Not Applicable.

d. Includes preening exposure.

e. Exposure of larvae only.

**Table 3.6**. General Conceptual Exposure Model Depicting Exposure Pathways/Media for Potential Terrestrial Species

(Filled cells indicate scenarios where exposure pathways are complete at one or more life stages. Blank cells indicate scenarios where exposure pathways are incomplete.)

			Exposure Patl			/Media <sup>a</sup>	
			Dermal Exposi	ure		Ingestion Expo	sure
Primary Group	Secondary Group/Species	Soi 1	Groundwater	Surface water	Soi 1	Groundwater	Surface Water
Plants	Deep-Rooted	•b	•	•	•	•	NAC
	Shallow-Rooted	•		•	•		NA
Insects	Insects	•		•	•		•
Birds	Insectivores, e.g. • swallow • kingbird	•d		•	•		•
	Carnivores, e.g. • kingfisher • Bald eagle • osprey	•d					•
Mammals	Bats						•
	Insectivores, e.g. • shrew • grasshopper mouse	•		•	•		•
	Herbivores, e.g. • mice • porcupine • deer	•		•	•		•
	Carnivores/Omnivores, e.g. • coyote • skunk	•		•			•
Reptiles	Lizards	•			•		
	Snakes	•		•	•		

a. The inhalation pathway is assumed to be complete for these terrestrial species.

b. All  $\bullet$  = exposure at all life stages.

c. NA = Not Applicable.

d. Includes preening exposure.

Three types of score summaries were performed:

First, scores of exposure to media were summed separately for biomagnifying and non-biomagnifying contaminants with all media assumed to contribute equally to exposure.

Second, media scores were weighted to reflect the degree of exposure to contaminants at the two types of source areas (in-river and outfall). Weighted scores were summed for biomagnifying and non-biomagnifying contaminants at the two types of source areas. Weighted scores were averaged across source areas and across biomagnifying/non-biomagnifyingcontaminants to obtain a grand average exposure score. Species were ranked based on these grand average exposure scores.

Third, grand average exposure scores (divided by 10 to retain the same scale as exposure duration and sensitivity) were added to exposure duration and sensitivity scores to obtain a single composite effect score. Species were also ranked based on these composite effect scores.

All rankings were assigned within taxonomic groups (in other words, algae, amphibians, aquatic invertebrates, birds, emergent vegetation, fish, fungi, macrophytes, mammals, reptiles, terrestrial invertebrates, and terrestrial vegetation). The results of the scoring are shown in Appendix C. The following sections explain the basis of the score assignments and thus the ultimate rankings.

#### 1.0.4 Biotic Ingestion Pathway: Exposure to Contaminants in Prey

The magnitude of an individual's biotic ingestion exposure depends on the composition of the individual's prey and the contaminant body burdens of the various prey. The latter is related to the species' position in the food chain (Figures 1.1 and 1.2) and whether biomagnifying or non-biomagnifying contaminants are present. Biomagnifying contaminants are those that tend to occur in higher concentrations at higher food chain levels through dietary accumulation. Non-biomagnifying contaminants are those that tend to decrease in concentration at higher levels in the food web. Consequently, species at the top of the food chain received a higher score for biomagnifying contaminants and a lower score for non-biomagnifying contaminants. Conversely, species at the base of the food chain received a lower score for biomagnifying contaminants and a higher score for non-biomagnifying contaminants (Table 3.7). For example, the bald eagle is a top level carnivore. It received a biomagnifier score of 4 and a non-biomagnifier score of 3. Emergent vegetation is classified as a producer. It received a biomagnifier score of 1 and a non-biomagnifier score of 4.

Table 3.7. Scoring Scheme for Tier I Species' Ingestion Exposure to Contaminants in Prey

	Type of Contaminant in Prey		
Predator Food Chain Level	Biomagnifying	Non-Biomagnifying	
Producer	1	4	
Herbivore	2	3	
Omnivore	3	2	
Carnivore	4	1	

## 1.0.5 Abiotic Ingestion Pathway: Exposure to Contaminants in Sediments/Soils and Pore Water/Groundwater

The magnitude of an individual's ingestion exposure to contaminants in sediments/soils and pore water/groundwater depends on the frequency and intimacy of an individual's contact with these media. Species whose foraging strategy and life style allow frequent ingestion of sediments/soils and pore water/groundwater throughout their entire lives received a higher score. Species whose foraging strategy and life style allow only occasional ingestion of these media throughout only a portion of their lives received a lower score (Table 3.8). For example, channel catfish forage on the river bottom throughout most of their lives where they ingest sediments and pore water incidental to consumption of benthic invertebrates. Thus, catfish received a score of 4 for ingestion of these media. Chinook salmon feed in the river only as juveniles when they feed both in the water column and on the river bottom. Thus, they occasionally ingest sediments and pore water during consumption of aquatic insect larvae. Although adult chinook return to the study area to spawn, they do not feed during their up-river migration or spawning. Thus, chinook received a score of 1 for ingestion of sediments and a score of 1 for ingestion of pore water. The western harvest mouse occasionally ingests soils throughout its entire life incidental to consumption of vegetation and invertebrates. The harvest mouse does not consume prey from the river. Thus, the harvest mouse received a score of 2 for ingestion of soils and a score of 0 for ingestion of pore water/groundwater.

**Table 3.8.** Scoring Scheme for Tier I Species' Ingestion Exposure to Contaminants in Sediments/Soils and Pore Water/Groundwater

	Life Stage		
Frequency of Exposure	Juvenile	Adult	Whole Life
None	0	0	0
Occasional	1	1	2
Often	2	2	4

### 1.0.6 Abiotic Ingestion Pathway: Exposure to Contaminants in Surface Water

The magnitude of an individual's ingestion exposure to contaminants in surface water depends primarily on whether it drinks from the river or consumes prey from the river. Species that drink and consume food from the river, such as fish, benthic invertebrates, piscivorous birds, and muskrat, received a score of 4 for ingestion of surface water (Table 3.9). Species that drink from, but do not feed in the river, such as beaver, California quail, and owls, received a score of 2 for ingestion of surface water.

Table 3.9. Scoring Scheme for Tier I Species' Ingestion Exposure to Contaminants in Surface Water

Degree of Exposure				
Neither Drinks nor Consumes		Consumes Prey	Drinks and Consumes	
Prey from the River	Drinks from the River	from the River	Prey from the River	
0	2	2	4	

## 1.0.7 Dermal Pathway: Exposure to Contaminants in Sediments/Soils and Pore Water/Groundwater

Those species whose life styles allow frequent dermal contact with sediments/soils and pore water/ groundwater throughout their entire lives were scored higher. Species whose life style allows only occasional dermal contact with these media throughout only a portion of their lives received a lower score (Table 3.10). For example, all of the avian species occasionally bathe in dust after fledging and thus received a score of 2 for dermal exposure to soils. However, avian species virtually never make dermal contact with pore water in the river and thus received a score of 0 for this medium. All of the mammals make occasional extensive dermal contact with soils via burrowing, resting, etc. throughout their entire lives and thus received a score of 2 for dermal exposure to soils. Like birds, however, mammal species virtually never make dermal contact with pore water and thus received a score of 0 for this medium. In contrast, benthic species, such as catfish and aquatic invertebrates, spend most of their lives in contact with sediments and pore water and thus received a score of 4 for dermal exposure to both these media.

**Table 3.10**. Scoring Scheme for Tier I Species' Dermal Exposure to Contaminants in Sediments/Soils and Pore Water/Groundwater

	Life Stage		
Frequency of Exposure	Juvenile	Adult	Whole Life
None	0	0	0
Occasional	1	1	2
Often	2	2	4

### 1.0.8 Dermal Pathway: Exposure to Contaminants in Surface Water

The magnitude of an individual's dermal exposure to contaminants in surface water depends on whether it is never immersed, seldom immersed, frequently immersed, or always immersed (Table 3.11). For example, species whose life style is completely aquatic, such as aquatic vegetation, benthic invertebrates, and fish, received a score of 4 for dermal exposure to surface water. Species which are semi-aquatic, such as the piscivorous birds and some of the mammals, received a score of 2. Species which are terrestrial and are seldom immersed in the river, such as the blackbird, bald eagle, and deer, received a score of 1. Terrestrial species which are virtually never in the river, such as mice, northern harrier, American kestrel, and owls, received a score of 0.

Table 3.11. Scoring Scheme for Tier I Species' Dermal Exposure to Contaminants in Surface Water

Frequency of Immersion in River Water					
Never	Seldom	Frequent	Always		
0	1	2	4		

#### 1.0.9 Inhalation Pathway: Exposure to Contaminants in Air

Because the source of airborne contaminants in the study area is soil or surface water, the magnitude of an individual's inhalation exposure is a function of the amount of time the individual is close to these media. For example, species that spend most of their time within 0.5 m of the surface received a higher score than those that spend most of their time more than 1.0 m from the surface (Table 3.12). Ground-nesting birds that forage on the water or ground, such as geese and dabbling ducks, received a score of 3 for inhalation exposure. Birds that forage on the water or ground but nest in trees, such as the great blue heron and blackbird, received a score of 2. Birds that occasionally forage on the water or ground and nest in trees, such as the raptors, received a score of 1. Completely aquatic species, such as macrophytes, benthic invertebrates, and fish, respire water and thus received a score of 0 for inhalation of air-borne contaminants. Respiration of water-borne contaminants by fully aquatic species was scored under dermal exposure.

Table 3.12. Scoring Scheme for Tier I Species' Inhalation Exposure to Contaminants in Air

Distance above the Surface					
Mostly $> 1.0 \text{ m}$ Mostly $< 1.0 \text{ m}$ Always $< 0.5 \text{ m}$					
1	2	3			

### 1.0.10 Media Weighting

As noted in Table 3.3, media contamination varies between source areas. A weighting scheme was devised to account for this variation by scoring media according to their level of contamination at the two types of source areas, outfall and in-river. In-river source areas include deep holes, McNary Pool, near-shore areas, seeps/springs, and sloughs. Scores consist of 0 (little or no contaminant burden), 1 (moderate contaminant burden), and 2 (high contaminant burden).

For the in-river source areas, most of the contaminant burden is associated with in-flowing contaminated groundwater, pore water, and sediments. The high volume and flow rate of the Columbia River rapidly dilutes water-borne contaminants to well below groundwater levels (Dirkes and Hanf 1995). The air contaminant burden is thus low in these areas. In contrast, surface soils, not groundwater, are the primary contaminated medium at the outfall source areas. Air, therefore, received a score of 2 at the outfall and 0 at the in-river source areas. Sediments and soils serve as a sink for contaminants at both the in-river and outfall areas, respectively, and thus received a score of 2 for both. Many aquatic and terrestrial prey species are likely to contact contaminants at the outfall and in-river areas (for example, in prey, sediment, soil, groundwater, pore water, surface water, air). Thus, prey received a score of 2 for both. Pore water/groundwater received a score of 1 at the outfall and a score of 2 at the in-river areas. Although contaminants enter surface water directly from the outfall and in-river areas, water-borne contaminants are highly diluted by the river. Thus, surface water received a score of 1 for both these source areas (Table 3.13).

**Table 3.13**. Media Weighting Reflecting Relative Levels of Contamination at Outfalls and In-River Source Areas

		Media					
		Groundwater/ Surface					
Source Area	Air	Prey	Sediments/Soils	Pore Water	Water		
Outfalls	2	2	2	1	1		
In-river source areas	0	2	2	2	1		

### 1.0.11 Exposure Duration

The magnitude of an individual's exposure to contaminants also depends on exposure duration. Duration scores were scaled to cover the same range as the exposure scores (Table 3.14). Species that migrate through the study area received a score of 1. Species that migrate but remain in the area for one or two seasons received a score of 2. Species that reside in the study area year-round received a score of 4.

**Table 3.14**. Scoring Scheme for Exposure Duration

Residence Time in Study Area					
Only Briefly in	Only Briefly in In Study Area 1				
Study Area	or 2 Seasons	Study Area			
1	2	4			

### 1.0.12 Sensitivity to Contaminants

Sensitivity scores were scaled to cover the same range as the scores for exposure to media and exposure duration scores (in other words from 1 to 4). Because most of the contaminants are radionuclides, general sensitivity to radiation was used as the basis for scoring. Species were grouped into broad taxonomic groups and scored based on  $LD_{50}$  thresholds for radiation exposure (Whicker and Schultz 1982). For example, lower plants received the lowest score, and mammals and birds received the highest score because they are the most sensitive to radiation exposure (Table 3.15).

**Table 3.15**. Scoring Scheme for Sensitivity to Radiological Contaminants (Scores Based on Ld<sub>50</sub> for Radiation Exposure)

Lower Plants	Higher Plants/Insects	Amphibians/ Fish/Reptiles	Birds/Mammals
1	2	3	4

### 1.0.13 Summary of Scores

The scores for each species' exposure to media, exposure duration, sensitivity to contaminants, and the media weightings were summarized as follows:

- 1. Scores of abiotic ingestion exposure to sediment/soil (Appendix C, row 6), groundwater/pore water (Appendix C, row 7), and surface water (Appendix C, row 8) were summed (Appendix C, row 5) and added separately to scores of biotic ingestion exposure to biomagnifying contaminants in prey (Appendix C, row 3) and non-biomagnifying contaminants in prey (Appendix C, row 4). This provided summary scores indicating ingestion exposure to biomagnifying contaminants (Appendix C, row 1) and non-biomagnifying contaminants (Appendix C, row 2) in all media with all media treated equally.
- 2. Scores of dermal exposure to sediment/soil (Appendix C, row 10), groundwater/pore water (Appendix C, row 11), and surface water (Appendix C, row 12) were summed. This provided summary scores (Appendix C, row 9) indicating dermal exposure to contaminants in all media with all media treated equally.
- 3. Inhalation scores (Appendix C, row 13) and dermal summary scores (Appendix C, row 9) were summed and added separately to ingestion summary scores for biomagnifying contaminants (Appendix C, row 1) and non-biomagnifying contaminants (Appendix C, row 2). This provided summary scores indicating overall exposure to biomagnifying contaminants (Appendix C, row 14) and non-biomagnifying contaminants (Appendix C, row 15) in all media with all media treated equally.
- 4. Media weightings for the outfall and in-river source areas (see Table 3.13) were multiplied with scores of abiotic ingestion exposure to sediment/soil (Appendix C, row 6), groundwater/pore water (Appendix C, row 7), and surface water (Appendix C, row 8), with scores of dermal exposure to sediment/soil (Appendix C, row 10), groundwater/pore water (Appendix C, row 11), and surface water (Appendix C, row 12), with scores of inhalation exposure (Appendix C, row 13), and with scores of biotic ingestion exposure to biomagnifying contaminants in prey (Appendix C, row 3) and non-biomagnifying contaminants in prey (Appendix C, row 4). These products were summed separately for biomagnifying contaminants and non-biomagnifying contaminants. This provided summary scores indicating overall exposure to biomagnifying contaminants and non-biomagnifying contaminants at the in-river (Appendix C, rows 17 and 18) and outfall (Appendix C, rows 20 and 21) source areas.
- 5. Summary scores of overall exposure to biomagnifying contaminants and non-biomagnifying contaminants at the outfall (Appendix C, rows 20 and 21) and in-river (Appendix C, rows 17 and 18) source areas were averaged to produce an in-river average and an outfall average (Appendix C, rows 23 and 24). This provided summary scores indicating overall exposure at the outfall and in-river source areas.
- 6. Species were ranked based on their average exposure scores from the in-river and outfall source areas. These rankings are not shown in Appendix C. Species' rank order differed only slightly between in-river and outfall source areas. Consequently, average exposure scores from the in-river and outfall source areas were averaged to produce a grand average exposure score (Appendix C, row 25). Species were rank-ordered within major taxonomic groups based on this grand average to

provide an indication of relative exposure among species (Appendix C, row 26).

- 7. Because grand average exposure scores ranged up to 41, it was necessary to divide these by 10 so that they could be added to the exposure duration and sensitivity scores and keep the same scale. These quotients were added to exposure duration (Appendix C, row 28) and sensitivity scores (Appendix C, row 29) to produce composite effect scores (Appendix C, row 31). Species were also rank-ordered within major taxonomic groups based on these composite effect scores (Appendix C, row 32).
- 8. The sensitivity scoring did not differentiate within taxonomic groups (in other words, determining sensitivity differences at the species level will require data that have not yet been assembled, but will be available for the ecological risk assessment. Thus, the sensitivity scoring provided no additional information to differentiate species within major taxonomic groups, although it did emphasize that representatives of major taxonomic group should be included in the ecological risk assessment. Also, exposure duration scoring is less meaningful because toxicity data are often based on 48-hour to 96-hour exposures. Even the lowest exposure duration for species given a score of 1 exceeds 48 hours. Therefore, the grand average exposure scores (see point 6 above) were considered to be more valuable than the composite effect scores (see point 7 above) for the purposes of this receptor species screen.

#### 1.0.14 Identification of Final Tier II Receptor Species

The CRCIA Team selected 65 of the ranked Tier I species (Appendix C, rows 26 and 32) as tentative Tier II receptor species. These were further reduced to 43 final Tier II receptor species (Table 3.16). Where two species belonged to the same foraging guild and had approximately the same grand average exposure score, the smaller species was chosen for further evaluation because of the general positive correlation between exposure and body weight (Opresko et al. 1993), in other words, the lower the body weight, the lower the toxicity threshold. Species that virtually never occur in the river or riparian zone were also eliminated. Finally, species with the lowest ranks were not included in the 43 final Tier II receptor species.

The number and percent of Tier I species retained during the Tier II receptor screening process are shown in Table 3.17.

Table 3.16. Tier II Receptor Species

Taxa/Species*	Rank Based on Grand Average Exposure Scores	Rank Based on Composite Effect Scores	Selected by CRCIA Team as Tentative Tier II Receptor Species	Final Tier II Receptor Species
Algae			<u> </u>	
Periphyton	1	1	*	+
Amphibians				
Bullfrog	1	1	*	+
Spadefoottoad	2	1	*	(b)
Woodhouse's toad	2	1	*	(b)
Aquatic Invertebrates				
Caddisfly	1	1	*	+
Crayfish	1	1	*	+
Fresh water shrimp	1	1	*	+
Mayfly	1	1	*	(b)
Midge	1	1	*	(b)
Clams/mussels/Snails	1	1	*	+
Water flea	10	10	*	+
Birds				
American coot	1	1	*	+
Common snipe	3	2	*	+
Diving ducks (e.g., bufflehead)	7	20	*	+
Goose/Mallard	8	5	*	+
Great blue heron	8	5	*	+
American white pelican	11	7	*	+
Common merganser	11	21	*	(b)
Forster's tern	11	21	*	+
Pied-billed grebe	11	7	*	(b)
California quail	17	11	*	+
Red-wingedblackbird	17	23	*	(b)
Cliff swallow	21	25	*	+
Belted kingfisher	22	26	*	(b)
Osprey	22	26	*	(b)
Bald eagle	24	28	*	+
Northern harrier	26	13	*	+
American kestrel	29	16	*	+
Barn owl	29	16	*	(c)
<b>Emergent Vegetation</b>				
Columbia yellowcress	1	1	*	+
Common cattail	1	1	*	(b)
Rush (all)	1	1	*	+
Fish				
Channel catfish	1	1	*	+

Table 3.16. (contd)

Taxa/Species*	Rank Based on Grand Average Exposure Scores	Rank Based on Composite Effect Scores	Selected by CRCIA Team as Tentative Tier II Receptor Species	Final Tier II Receptor Species
Largescale sucker	2	2	*	+
Mountain sucker	2	2	*	+
Paiute sculpin	4	4	*	(b)
Carp	6	6	*	+
Mountain whitefish	6	6	*	+
White sturgeon	6	6	*	+
Pacific lamprey	9	16	*	+
Shiner	9	9	*	(b)
Salmon (all)	12	17	*	+
Squawfish	12	11	*	(c)
Trout (bull and rainbow)	12	11	*	(b)
Steelhead	18	18	*	+
Macrophytes				
Water milfoil	1	1	*	(b)
Duckweed	3	3	*	(b)
Mammals				
Muskrat	1	1	*	+
Beaver	3	3	*	+
Coyote	3	3	*	(b)
Raccoon	3	3	*	+
Mule deer	7	7	*	(b)
Great Basin pocket mouse	8	8	*	(a)
Weasel	8	8	*	+
Western harvest mouse	8	8	*	+
Reptiles				
Western garter snake	1	1	*	+
Terrestrial Vegetation				
Black cottonwood	1	1	*	+
Columbia milk vetch	1	1	*	(a)
Dense sedge	1	1	*	+
Fern	1	1	*	+
Mulberry	1	1	*	+
Reed canary grass	1	1	*	+
Rushes	1	1	*	+
Willow (all)	1	1	*	(b)

<sup>\*</sup> Terrestrial invertebrates are not included in this table because no species in these taxon were selected by the CRCIA Team as tentative Tier II receptor species.

<sup>+</sup> One of the 43 Tier II receptor species

a. Species that virtually never occur in the river or riparian zone

b. Species with a life style similar to that of another Tier II receptor species

c. Species with low grand average exposure scores



### 1.0 Use of Tier II Receptor Species

The 43 final Tier II receptor species will be evaluated as follows in the screening assessment of ecological risk. Exposures to contaminants will be estimated for these species within the study area using exposure models that integrate exposure over all pathways and media. Species that have different exposure regimes at different life stages (see Tables 3.4-3.6) present a special problem that will be addressed by estimating exposures for each life stage separately. Exposure estimates will be compared to toxicological benchmarks (equivalent to measurement endpoints in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency methodology) (EPA 1992) that reflect mortality (for example, LC<sub>50</sub> - concentration producing mortality in 50 percent of the test organisms) or the lowest observed adverse effect level. Where exposures are estimated separately for two life stages, they will be compared to toxicological benchmarks specific for each life stage.

Toxicological benchmarks are being consolidated from EPA toxicological databases and other references (for example, Opresko, et al. 1993, Suter and Mabry 1994, Ramamoorthy and Baddaloo 1995). Benchmarks will be obtained or derived for each species and life stage addressed in this risk assessment.

Exposures and effects will be evaluated using deterministic and stochastic models. Deterministic models will utilize maximum source term data in a single run of the exposure model. Stochastic models will utilize the same exposure model in a Monte Carlo regime that will have the probability density functions for both the input parameters to the exposure model and the toxicological benchmarks. The deterministic models will be run for all portions of the study area. The stochastic models will be run for those portions of the study area and those receptors that show a relatively high ratio of exposure to benchmark.

Model composition, toxicological benchmarks, and model results will be presented in the screening assessment and requirements for a comprehensive assessment report.

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## Appendix A

Master Species List for the Screening Assessment of Ecological Risk from the Columbia River

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Common Name	Scientific Name	General Location <sup>a</sup>	Habitat Type	Specific Location <sup>b</sup>
Algae				
	Achnanthes spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Asterionella spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Asterionella spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Chlorophyta spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Cladophora spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Cocconeis spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Cyclotella spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Fragilaria spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Fragilaria spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Gomphonema spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Melosira spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Melosira spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Nitzchia spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Stephanodiscus spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Stephanodiscus spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Stigeoclonium spp.	X	aquatic	HR
	Synedra spp.	X	aquatic	HR
Amphibians				
Bullfrog	Rana catesbeiana	X	aquatic/riparian	HS; WNWR; LCNWR; RNWR
Dunn's salamander	Plethodon dunni		riparian	WNWR
Ensatina	Ensatina eschscholtzii		riparian	WNWR
Great Basin spadefoot toad	Scaphiopus intermontanus	X	riparian	HS; JDP
Larch mountain salamander	Plethodon larselli		aquatic	BP
Long-toed salamander	Ambystoma macrodactylum		riparian/wetland	RNWR
Northern leopard frog	Rana pipiens		aquatic/riparian	HS
Northern red-legged frog	Rana aurora aurora		upland/riparian/aquatic	BP
Northwestern salamander	Ambystoma gracile		riparian/wetland	WNWR;LCNWR
Olympic salamander	Rhyacotriton olympicus		riparian/wetland	WNWR;RNWR
Pacific chorus frog	Pseudacris regilla	X	aquatic/riparian	HS
Pacific giant salamander	Dicamptodon tenebrosus		riparian/wetland	WNWR
Pacific treefrog	Hyla regilla	X	aquatic/riparian	HS; DP; BP; WNWR; LCNWR; RNWR
Red-legged frog	Rana aurora		upland/riparian	WNWR;LCNWR;RNWR
Rough-skinnednewt	Taricha granulosa		riparian/wetland	WNWR;LCNWR
Spotted frog	Rana pretiosa	X	aquatic/riparian	PRR; HS; MNR; JDP; DP; BP

Common Name	Scientific Name	General Location <sup>a</sup>	Habitat Type	Specific Location <sup>b</sup>
Territorial woodhouse's toad	Bufo woodhousei	X	aquatic/riparian	HS
Van Dyke's salamander	Plethodon vandykei		riparian	WNWR
Aquatic Invertebrates				
Caddisfly <sup>c</sup>	Cheumatopsyche cockerelli	X	aquatic/benthic	HR
Caddisfly <sup>c</sup>	Cheumatopsyche campyla	X	aquatic/benthic	HR
Caddisfly <sup>c</sup>	Cheumatopsyche enonis	X	aquatic/benthic	HR
California floater	Andonta californiensis	X	aquatic/benthic	HR; PRR; MNR; JDP; DP; BP
Columbia pebblesnail	Fluminicola columbianus	X	aquatic/benthic	PRR; HR; MNR; JDP; DP; BP
Crayfish	Pacifasticus leniusculus	X	aquatic/benthic	HR
Cryptomastix	Cryptomastix n. sp.	X	aquatic/benthic	HS
Cyclops	Cyclops spp.	X	aquatic/pelagic	HR
Dalles mountain snail	Oreohelix variabilis		aquatic/benthic	
Diaptomus	Diaptomus spp.	X	aquatic/benthic	HR
Midge	genera of the subfamily tanypodinae	X	aquatic/benthic	HR; MNR; JDP; DP; BP; BB
Oregon snail	Monadenia fidelis minor		aquatic/benthic	BP
Shortface lanx	Fisherola nuttalli	X	aquatic/benthic	HR
Water flea	Bosmina spp.; Ceriodaphnia spp.; Daphnia magna	X	aquatic/pelagic	HR
Birds	oppi, 2 apinua magna	<u> </u>	ı	
Aleutian Canada goose	Branta canadensis leucopareia	X	shoreline	HS
American avocet	Recurvirostera americana	X	riparian/shoreline	CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; MNR
American bittern	Botaurus lentiginosus		riparian	CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
American coot	Fulica americana	X	riparian/aquatic/wetland	PRR; HS; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BB; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
American goldfinch	Carduelis tristis	X	riparian/upland	PRR; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
American pipit	Anthus rubescens	X	riparian/shoreline	PRR; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
American robin	Turdus migratorius	X	upland/riparian	PRR; HS; CSRC; UNWR; BB; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
American white pelican	Pelecanus erythrorhynchos	X	riparian/shoreline	HS; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; JDP; RNWR
American wigeon	Anas americana	X	riparian/aquatic/island	PRR; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BB;RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Arctic tern	Sterna paradisaea	X	aquatic	HS; WNWR
Baird's sandpiper	Calidris bairdii	X	shoreline	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; WNWR
Bald eagle	Haliaeetus leucocephalus	X	riparian/shoreline	PRR; HS; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; JDP; BP; BB; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Bank swallow	Riparia riparia	X	riparian/upland	CSRC; UNWR; JDP
Bar-tailed godwit	Limosa lapponica		coastal shoreline	WNWR
Barrow's goldeneye	Bucephala islandica	X	riparian/aquatic/island	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; JDP; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Belted kingfisher	Ceryle alcyon	X	riparian/aquatic	HS; CSRC; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR;UNWR

Common Name	Scientific Name	General Location <sup>a</sup>	Habitat Type	Specific Location <sup>b</sup>
Black turnstone	Arenaria melanocephala		shoreline	WNWR
Black-belliedplover	Pluvialis squatarola	X	shoreline	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BB; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Black-crownednight heron	Nycticorax nycticorax	X	aquatic/riparian	HS; CSRC-I; MNR; UNWR; IDP; RNWR
Black-necked stilt	Himantopus mexicanus	X	riparian/shoreline	HS; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; JDP; RNWR
Black-throatedgray warbler	Dendroica nigrescens		riparian	RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Blue-winged teal	Anas discors	X	riparian/aquatic	CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Brandt's cormorant	Phalacrocorax penicillatus		semi-pelagic/aquatic	WNWR
Brown pelican	Pelecanus occidentalis		semi-pelagic/aquatic	WNWR
Brown-headedcowbird	Molothrus ater	X	upland/riparian	PRR; HS; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Bufflehead	Bucephala albeola	X	riparian/aquatic/island	PRR; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; IDP; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
California gull	Larus californicus	X	riparian/island	HS; CSRC-I; MNR; UNWR; JDP; DP; BP; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
California quail	Callipepla californica	X	riparian/upland	HS; CSCR; UNWR; BP; RNWR;PRR
Canada goose	Branta canadensis	X	aquatic/island/riparian	PRR; HS; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; JDP; DP; BP; BB; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Canvasback	Aythya valisineria	X	riparian/aquatic/island	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Caspian tern	Sterna caspia	X	riparian/shoreline	HS; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; JDP; DP; BP; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Cattle egret	Bubulcus ibis	X	riparian/shoreline	CSRC; RNWR; WNWR
Chukar	Alectoris chukar	X	riparian/upland	PRR; HS; UNWR; DP
Cinnamonteal	Anas cyanoptera	X	riparian/island/aquatic	PRR; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Clark's grebe	Aechmophorus clarkii	X	riparian/aquatic	HS; CSRC; UNWR; JDP
Common goldeneye	Bucephala clangula	X	riparian/aquatic/island	PRR; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; IDP; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Common loon	Gavia immer	X	riparian/aquatic	PRR; HS; CSRC; UNWR; JDP; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Common merganser	Mergus merganser	X	aquatic/riparian	PRR; HS; CSRC-I; MNR; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Common snipe	Gallinago gallinago	X	riparian/shoreline	HS; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BP; BB; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Common tern	Sterna hirundo	X	aquatic	CSRC; LCNWR; WNWR
Common yellowthroat	Geothlypis trichas	X	riparian	UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Double crested cormorant	Phalacrocorax auritus	X	riparian/aquatic/semi- pelagic	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BP; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Dunlin	Calidris alpina	X	shoreline	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BB; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR

Common Name	Scientific Name	General Location <sup>a</sup>	Habitat Type	Specific Location <sup>b</sup>
Eared grebe	Podiceps nigricollis	X	riparian/aquatic	PRR; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR
Emperor goose	Chen canagica		shoreline	RNWR; LCNWR; UNWR;WNWR
Eurasian wigeon	Anas penelope	X	riparian/aquatic	CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Forster's tern	Sterna forsteri	X	riparian/shoreline	HS; CSRC-I; MNR; WNWR; JDP; DP
Gadwall	Anas strepera	X	riparian/aquatic	HS; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Glaucous-wingedgull	Larus glaucescens	X	riparian/island	CSRC; UNWR; DP; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Golden-Crownedkinglet	Regulus satrapa	X	riparian	PRR; HS; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Golden-crownedsparrow	Zonotrichia atricapilla	X	riparian	HS; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Great blue heron	Ardea herodias	X	riparian/shoreline/islands	PRR; HS; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; JDP; DP; BP; BB; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Great egret	Casmerodius albus	X	riparian/shoreline	HS; CSRC; UNWR; JDP; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Great white-fronted goose	Anser albifrons	X	shoreline	CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Greater scaup	Aythya marila	X	riparian/aquatic/island	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; DP; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR;BP
Greater yellowlegs	Tringa melanoleuca	X	riparian/shoreline	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Green-backedheron	Butorides striatus		riparian/shoreline	RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Green-wingedteal	Anas crecca	Х	island/riparian/aquatic	PRR; HS; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; JDP; BB; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Harlequin duck	Histrionicus histrionicus	X	riparian/aquatic	PRR; UNWR; BP; RNWR; WNWR
Herring gull	Larus argentatus	X	riparian/island	CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Hooded merganser	Lophodytes cucullatus	X	riparian/aquatic	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Horned grebe	Podiceps auritus	X	riparian/aquatic	PRR; HS; CSRC; UNWR; JDP; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Killdeer	Charadrius vociferus	Х	riparian/shoreline	HS; PRR; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BP; BB; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Least sandpiper	Calidris minutilla	X	estuarine/wetland/upland	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BB; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Lesser golden plover	Pluvialis dominica	X	aquatic/riparian/shoreline	LCNWR;WNWR;MNR
Lesser scaup	Aythya affinis	X	riparian/aquatic/island	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; DP; BP; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Lesser yellowlegs	Tringa flavipes	X	riparian/shoreline	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; RNWR; WNWR
Long-billed dowitcher	Limnodromus scolopaceus	X	riparian/shoreline	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; RNWR; WNWR

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Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos	X	aquatic/island/riparian	PRR; HS; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; JDP; DP; BB; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Marbled godwit	Limosa fedoa	X	coastal shoreline	MNR;UNWR;BB;WNWR
Marsh wren	Cistothorus palustris	X	riparian	HS; CSRC; UNWR; BB; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Mourning dove	Zenaida macroura	X	upland/riparian	PRR; BP; HS; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Northern pintail	Anas acuta	X	riparian/aquatic	HS; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; JDP; DP; BB; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Northern shoveler	Anas clypeata	X	riparian/aquatic/island	PRR; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Oldsquaw	Clangula hyemalis	X	riparian/aquatic	CSRC; UNWR; WNWR
Orange-crowned warbler	Vermivora celata	X	riparian	PRR; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	X	aquatic/riparian	HS; CSRC; UNWR; JDP; BP; BB;RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Palm warbler	Dendroica palmarum		riparian	WNWR
Pectoral sandpiper	Calidris melanotos	X	estuarine/wetland/upland	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; RNWR; WNWR
Pied-billed grebe	Podilymbus podiceps	X	riparian/aquatic	PRR; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BP; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Red knot	Calidris canutus	X	estuarine/wetland/upland	UNWR;WNWR
Red-breasted merganser	Mergus serrator	X	riparian/aquatic	CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Red-necked grebe	Podiceps grisegena	X	aquatic	HS; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; JDP; LCNWR; WNWR
Red-tailed hawk	Buteo jamaicensis	X	riparian/upland	HS; CSRC; UNWR; JDP; DP; BP; BB; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Red-throated loon	Gavia stellata		semi-pelagic/aquatic	RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Red-winged blackbird	Agelaius phoeniceus	X	wetland/riparian	PRR; HS; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BB; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Redhead	Aythya americana	X	riparian/aquatic/island	PRR; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; DP; RNWR
Ring-billed gull	Larus delawarensis	X	riparian/island	CSRC-I; UNWR; JDP; DP; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR;HS
Ring-necked duck	Aythya collaris	X	riparian/aquatic/island	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; DP; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Ross' goose	Chen rossii	X	shoreline	CSRC; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Ruby-crownedkinglet	Regulus calendula	X	riparian	PRR; HS; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Ruddy duck	Oxyura jamaicensis	X	riparian/aquatic	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Ruddy turnstone	Arenaria interpres		shoreline	WNWR
Sanderling	Calidris alba	X	shoreline	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BB; RNWR;WNWR

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Sandhill crane	Grus canadensis	X	riparian/island	HS; CSRC; UNWR; JDP; RNWR;LCNWR
Semi-palmatedplover	Charadrius semipalmatus	X	shoreline	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BB; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Semipalmatedsandpiper	Calidris pusilla	X	estuarine/wetland/upland	MNR; WNWR
Sharp-tailed sandpiper	Calidris acuminata		estuarine/wetland/upland	RNWR; WNWR
Short-billed dowitcher	Limnodromus griseus	X	riparian/shoreline	MNR; WNWR
Snow goose	Chen caerulescens	X	shoreline	CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Snowy egret	Egretta thula	X	riparian/shoreline	CSRC
Snowy plover	Charadrius alexandrinus	X	shoreline	MNR; UNWR; WNWR
Solitary sandpiper	Tringa solitaria	X	riparian/shoreline	CSRC; UNWR; RNWR
Sora	Porzana carolina	X	riparian/shoreline	CSRC; UNWR; BB; RNWR; WNWR;BP
Spotted sandpiper	Actitis macularia	X	shoreline/riparian	PRR; HS; CSRC-I; MNR; UNWR; BP; BB; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Stilt sandpiper	Calidris himantopus	X	estuarine/wetland/upland	MNR; WNWR
Swamp sparrow	Melospiza georgiana	X	riparian/wetland	UNWR
Fownsend's warbler	Dendroica townsendi	X	riparian	HS; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Tricolored blackbird	Agelaius tricolor		riparian/shoreline	
Frumpeter swan	Cygnus buccinator	X	aquatic	HS; CSRC; UNWR; JDP; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Tufted duck	Aythya fuligula		shoreline	WNWR
Fundra swan	Cygnus columbianus	X	aquatic	CSRC; BB; UNWR; LCNWR; RNWR;LCNWR
Virginia rail	Rallus limicola	X	riparian/shoreline	CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Western grebe	Aechmophorus occidentalis	X	riparian/aquatic	PRR; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; JDP; BP; BB; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR; HS
Western sandpiper	Calidris mauri	X	estuarine/wetland/upland	CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BB; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Western screech owl	Otus kennicottii	X	riparian	CSRC; UNWR; JDP; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Western snowy plover	Charadrius alexandrinus nivosus		shoreline	
Western wood-peewee	Contopus sordidulus	X	riparian	PRR; HS; CSRC; UNWR; BB; RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Whistling swan	Cygnus columbianus	X	aquatic	PRR
Willet	Catoptrophorus semipalmatus	X	shoreline	UNWR; WNWR
Willow flycatcher	Empidonax traillii	X	riparian/upland	HS; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Wilson's warbler	Wilsonia pusilla	X	riparian	HS; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Wood duck	Aix sponsa	X	riarian/island	PRR; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BB;RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Yellow warbler	Dendroica petechia	X	riparian	PRR; CSRC; MNR; UNWR; BB;RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR

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Yellow-breastedchat	Icteria virens	X	riparian	HS; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR
Yellow-headed blackbird	Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus	X	riparian/shoreline	HS; CSRC; UNWR; RNWR LCNWR;WNWR
Yellow-rumpedwarbler	Dendroica coronata	X	riparian	PRR; HS; CSRC; UNWR RNWR;LCNWR;WNWR
Emergent Vegetation				•
Alkali bulrush	Scirpus maritimus	X	riparian	HS; MNR; JDP; RNWR/BIRA
Baltic rush	Juncus balticus	X	riparian/upland	PRR; HS; MNR; JDP; DP
Beaked spikerush	Eleocharis rostellata	X	shoreline	PRR
Blunt-leaf yellowcress	Rorippa obtusa	X	riparian	HS
Bulb-bearing water hemlock	Cicuta bulbifera	X	riparian	PRR
Bulrush	Scirpus paludosus	X	riparian	
Columbia River mugwort	Artemisia lindleyana	X	riparian	PRR; HS
Columbia yellowcress	Rorippa columbiae	X	riparian/cobble-gravel substrate/islands	PRR; HR; BP
Common cattail	Typha latifolia	X	riparian	HS; MNR; JDP; BP; BB; RNWI
Commonreed	Phragmites communis	X	riparian	HS
Common spikerush	Eleocharis palustris	X	riparian	HS; MNR; JDP; BP; BB RNWR/BIRA
Hardstem bulrush	Scirpus acutus	X	riparian	HS; MNR; JDP; BP; BB; RNWI
Hispid yellowcress	Rorippa islandica	X	riparian	HS; RNWR
Jointed rush	Juncus articulatus	X	riparian	HS
Lesser cattail	Typha angustifolia	X	riparian/marsh	MNR; BB
Needle spikerush	Eleocharis acicularis	X	riparian	HS; RNWR
Ovoid spike-rush	Eleocharis ovata		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Pointed rush	Juncus oxymeris		marsh	ВВ
Slenderrush	Juncus tenuis	X	riparian	HS; JDP; RNWR/BIRA
Small spike-rush	Eleocharis parvula		riparian	RNWR
Small-fruitedbulrush	Scirpus microcarpus		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Soft rush	Juncus effusus		riparian	RNWR
Softstem bulrush	Scirpus validus	X	riparian	HS; RNWR/BIRA
Spreading rush	Juncus patens	X	riparian	MNR; BP
Three-square bulrush	Scirpus americanus	X	riparian	HS; MNR; JDP
Torrey's rush	Juncus torreyi	X	riparian	HS; MNR; JDP
Western water-hemlock	Cicuta douglasii		riparian	RNWR
Western yellowcress	Rorippa curvisiliqua	X	riparian	HS; RNWR/BIRA
Fish				
American shad	Alosa sapidissima	X	aquatic	HR;LCNWR;BB
Black bullhead	Ictalurus melas	X	aquatic	HR
Black crappie	Pomoxis nigromaculatus	X	aquatic	HR; BB
Blue catfish	Ictalurus furcatus	X	aquatic	HR; CRB/SOR
Bluegill	Lepomis macrochirus	X	aquatic	HR
Bridgelip sucker	Catostomus columbianus	X	aquatic	HR
Brown bullhead	Ictalurus nebulosus	X	aquatic	HR
Bull trout	Salvelinus confluentus	X	aquatic	HR; MRR; MNR; JDP; DP; BP

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Burbot	Lota lota	X	aquatic	HR
Channel catfish	Ictalurus punctatus	X	aquatic	HR
Chiselmouth	Acrocheilus alutaceus	X	aquatic	HR
Chum	Oncorhynchus keta		aquatic	LCNWR;BB
Coho salmon	Oncorrhynchus kisutch	X	aquatic	PRR; HR; MNR; JDP; DP
Common carp	Cyprinus carpio	X	aquatic	HR; BB
Cutthroat trout	Salmo clarki	X	aquatic	HR; LCNWR
Dolly Varden	Salvelinus malma	X	aquatic	HR
Fall chinook	Oncorhynchus tshawytscha	X	aquatic	PRR; HR; MNR; JDP; DP; BB; RNWR
Lake whitefish	Coregonus clupeaformis	X	aquatic	HR
Largemouthbass	Micropterus salmoides	X	aquatic	HR; BB
Largescale sucker	Catostomus macrocheilus	X	aquatic	BB; HR
Leopard dace	Rhinichthys falcatus	X	aquatic	HR
Longfin smelt	Spirinchus thaleichthys		aquatic	ВВ
Longnose dace	Rhinichthys catatactae	X	aquatic	HR
Mosquito fish	Gambusia affinis	X	aquatic	HR
Mottled sculpin	Cottus bairdi	X	aquatic	HR
Mountain sucker	Catostomus platyrhynchus	X	aquatic	HR
Mountain whitefish	Prosopium williamsoni	X	aquatic	HR
Nine spine stickleback	Pungitius pungitius		aquatic	CRB/SOR
Northern squawfish	Ptychocheilus oregonensis	X	aquatic	HR; JDP
Pacific lamprey	Entosphenus tridentatus	X	aquatic	HR; LCNWR
Peamouth	Mylocheilus caurinus	X	aquatic	HR; BB
Piute sculpin	Cottus beldingi	X	aquatic	HR
Prickly sculpin	Cottus asper	X	aquatic	HR
Pumpkinseed	Lepomis gibbosus	X	aquatic	HR
Rainbow trout	Oncorhynchus mykiss	X	aquatic	HR
Redside shiner	Richardsonius balteatus	X	aquatic	HR
Reticulate sculpin	Cottus perplexus	X	aquatic	HR
River lamprey	Lampetra ayresi	X	aquatic	HR
Sand roller	Percopis transmontana	X	aquatic	HR
Shiner perch	Cymotagaster aggregata		aquatic	ВВ
Smallmouthbass	Micropterus dolomieui	X	aquatic	HR; JDP; BB
Sockeye salmon	Oncorhynchus nerka	X	aquatic	HR
Speckled dace	Rhinichthys osculus	X	aquatic	HR
Spring chinook	Oncorhynchus tshawytscha	X	aquatic	HR; PRR; MNR; JDP; DP; LCNWR;BB;RNWR
Starry flounder	Platichthys stellatus		estuarine	LCNWR
Steelhead trout	Oncorhynchus mykiss	X	aquatic	HR
Summer chinook	Oncorhynchus tshawytscha	X	aquatic	PRR; HR; MNR; JDP; DP; LCNWR;BB;RNWR
Гепсh	Tinca tinca	X	aquatic	HR
Threespine stickleback	Gasterosteus aculeatus	X	aquatic	HR; BB
Torrent sculpin	Cottus rhotheus	X	aquatic	HR

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Walleye	Stizostedion vitreum	X	aquatic	HR; BB
Western brook lamprey	Lampetra richardsoni	X	aquatic	CRB/SOR
White crappie	Pomoxis annularis	X	aquatic	HR
White sturgeon	Acipenser transmontanus	X	aquatic	HR; BB
Yellow bullhead	Ictalurus natalis	X	aquatic	HR
Yellow perch	Perca flavescens	X	aquatic	HR; BB
Macrophytes	•			
Duckweed	Lemna spp.	X	aquatic	HR
Frogs-bit	Elodea spp.	X	aquatic	HR
Pondweed	Potamogeton spp.	X	aquatic	HR
Water milfoil	Myriophyllum spp.	X	aquatic	HR
Mammals	•			
Beaver	Castor canadensis	X	riparian/aquatic	PRR; HS; MNR; JDP; DP; BP; BB; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Big brown bat	Eptesicus fuscus	X	riparian/buildings	HS; LCNWR; WNWR
Black-tailed deer	Odocoileus hemionus	X	riparian/upland shrub- steppe	PRR; HS; MNR; JDP; DP; BP; BB; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
California myotis	Myotis californicus	X	riparian/buildings	HS; LCNWR; WNWR
Columbian white-tailed deer	Odocoileus virginianus leucurus		riparian/upland	BB;LCNWR;CWTDNWR
Coyote	Canis latrans	X	upland/riparian	PRR; HS; JDP; DP; BP; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Deer mouse	Peromyscus maniculatus	X	riparian/upland	PRR; HS; BB; LCNWR; WNWR
Fringed myotis	Myotis thysanodes	X	riparian/buildings	HS
Hoary bat	Lasiurus cinereus	X	riparian/buildings	HS; LCNWR; WNWR
House mouse	Mus musculus	X	upland/riparian	HS
Little brown myotis	Myotis lucifugus	X	riparian/buildings	HS; LCNWR; WNWR
Long-eared myotis bat	Myotis evotis	X	riparian/buildings	HS; WNWR
Long-legged myotis	Myotis volans	X	riparian/buildings	HS; WNWR
Long-tailed vole	Microtus longicaudus		riparian	WNWR
Long-tailed weasel	Mustela frenata	X	riparian	HS; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
Mink	Mustela vision	X	riparian	HS; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR; PRR; BP; BB
Mountain vole	Microtus montanus	X	riparian	HS
Muskrat	Ondatra zibethica	X	riparian/aquatic	PRR; HS; JDP; BP; BB; LCNWR;WNWR
Nutria	Myocaster coypus		riparian/aquatic	BB; LCNWR; WNWR; RNWR
Oregon vole	Microtus oregoni		riparian	LCNWR;WNWR
Pallid bat	Antrozous pallidus	X	riparian/buildings	HS
Porcupine	Erethizon dorsatum	X	upland/riparian	HS; DP; BP; WNWR
Raccoon	Procyon lotor	X	riparian	PRR; HS; MNR; JDP; DP; BP; RNWR; LCNWR; WNWR
River otter	Lutra canadensis	X	riparian/aquatic	HS; MNR; JDP; BB; RNWR; LCNWR;WNWR
Rooseveltelk	Cervus canadensis	X	riparian/upland shrub- steppe	HS; BB; RNWR; WNWR

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Short-tailed weasel	Mustela erminea	X	riparian	HS
Silver-haired bat	Lasionycteris noctivagans	X	riparian/buildings	HS; WNWR
Small-footed myotis	Myotis subulatus	X	riparian/buildings	HS
Striped skunk	Mephitis mephitis	X	riparian	HS; JDP; DP; BP; RNWR
Townsend's big-eared bat	Plecotus townsendii		riparian/buildings	
Townsend's vole	Microtus townsendi		riparian	BB;LCNWR;WNWR
Vagrant shrew	Sorex vagrans	X	riparian	HS; BB; LCNWR; WNWR
Western harvest mouse	Reithrodontomys megalotis	X	upland/riparian	PRR; HS
Western pipistrelle	Pipistrellus hesperus	X	riparian/buildings	HS
White-taileddeer	Odocoileus virginianus	X	riparian/upland	HS
Yuma myotis	Myotis yumanensis	X	riparian/buildings	HS; LCNWR; WNWR
Reptiles				
Northern alligator lizard	Elgaria coerulea		riparian	RNWR
Northwestern pond turtle	Clemmys marmorata marmorata		aquatic	ВР
Painted turtle	Chrysemys picta	X	aquatic	HS; JDP; Irrigon Wildlife Area; UNWR
Western pond turtle	Clemmys marmorata marmorata		aquatic	ВВ
Western redback salamander	Plethodon cinereus		riparian	WNWR
Woodhouse's toad	Bufo woodhousii woodhousii		riparian	IDP
Terrestrial Invertebrates	•	•	•	•
Columbia Gorge hesperian	Vespericola columbianus		riparian	
Short-tailed black swallowtail	Papilio indra	X	riparian	HS
Terrestrial Vegetation				•
Alkali groundsel	Senecio hydrophilis	X	riparian/upland	HS
American brooklime	Veronica americana	X	riparian	HS; RNWR/BIRA
American hedge-hyssop	Gratiola neglecta		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
American water plantain	Alisma plantago-aquatica		riparian/upland	RNWR/BIRA
Annual Jacob's ladder	Polemonium micranthum	X	upland/riparian	HS
Arroyo willow	Salix lasiolepis	X	riparian	HS
Arumleafarrowhead	Sagittaria cuneata		riparian	RNWR
Awned flatsedge	Cyperus aristatus	X	riparian	HS
Baldhiprose	Rosa gymnocarpa		riparain/upland	RNWR
Balsam groundsel	Senecio pauperculus	X	riparian/upland	HS
Biennial cinquefoil	Potentilla biennis	X	riparian/upland	HS
Bitterdock	Rumex obtusifolius		riparian	JDP; RNWR
Black cottonwood	Populus trichocarpa	X	riparian	PRR; HS; MNR; BP; BB; RNWR/BIRA
Black hawthorn	Crateagus douglasii		riparian/upland	RNWR
Blackberry	Rubus rubus	X	disturbed areas	MNR; DP; BP
Blister buttercup	Ranunculus sceleratus		riparian/upland	RNWR
Blood currant	Ribes sanguineum		riparain/upland	RNWR
Blue forget-me-not	Myosotis micrantha	X	riparian/upland	HS
Bristly sedge	Carex comosa	X	riparian	PRR
Brook cinquefoil	Potentilla rivalis	X	riparian/upland	HS
Buckhorn plantain	Plantago lanceolata	X	riparian/upland	HS; RNWR

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Bugleweed	Lycopus americanus	X	riparian	MNR; DP; RNWR
Bunchberry	Cornus canadensis		riparian/upland	RNWR
Bushy cinquefoil	Potentilla paradoxa	X	riparian	HS
Buxbaum sedge	Carex buxbaumii	X	riparian	PRR
Cascade rockcress	Arabis furcata		riparain	
Celery-leaf buttercup	Rannunculus sceleratus	X	riparian/upland	HS
Chokecherry	Prunus virginiana var. melanocarpa	X	riparian	HS
Clustered dock	Rumex conglomeratus		riparian	RNWR
Clustered wildrose	Rosa pisocarpa		riparain/upland	RNWR
Columbiahawthorn	Crataegus columbiana	X	riparian	HS
Columbia milkvetch	Astragalus columbianus	X	upland shrub-steppe	PRR; HS
Columbia sedge	Carex aperta		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Common burdock	Arctium minus		riparian	RNWR
Common cocklebur	Xanthium strumareum	X	riparian/upland	HS; RNWR
Common dogbane	Apocynum cannabinum	X	riparian	HS; MNR; DP; BP; RNWR
Common mare's-tail	Hippuris vulgaris		riparian	RNWR
Common plantain	Plantago major	X	riparian/upland	HS; RNWR
Corkscrew willow	Salix matsudana	X	riparian	HS
Coyote willow	Salix exigua	X	riparian	PRR; MNR; JDP
Creeping buttercup	Ranunculus flammula	X	riparian/upland	HS; RNWR/BIRA
Creeping eragrostis	Eragrostis hypnoides		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Creeping loosestrife	Lysimachia nummularia		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Curly dock	Rumex crispus	X	riparian	HS; MNR; JDP; DP; BP; RNWR
Cut-leaved water parsnip	Berula erecta	X	riparian	HS
Cutgrass	Leersia oryzoides		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Dense sedge	Carex densa	X	riparian	PRR; HS; CWTDNWR
Dotted smartweed	Polygonum punctatum	X	riparian	MNR;RNWR
Douglas' sedge	Carex douglasii	X	riparian	HS
Dutch rush	Equisetum hyemale var. affine		riparian	RNWR
Evergreen blackberry	Rubus laciniatus		riparian	RNWR
False pimpernel	Lindernia anagallidea	X	riparian	PRR; HS
Field horsetail	Equisetum arvense	X	riparian	HS; RNWR
Flatsedge	Cyperus cyperus	X	riparian	MNR;BB
Fox sedge	Carex vulpinoides	X	riparian	MNR
Fringed waterplantain	Damasonium californicum		riparian/upland	
Geyer milkvetch	Astragalus geyeri	X	shoreline	PRR
Giant fawn-lily	Erythronium oregonum		riparian/upland	RNWR
Giant helleborine	Epipactis gigantea	X	shoreline	PRR;CWTDNWR
Golden currant	Ribes aureum	X	riparian/upland	HS
Green sedge	Carex oederi	X	riparian	MNR
Green-fruited sedge	Carex interrupta		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Greensheathedsedge	Carex feta	X	riparian	RNWR/BIRA

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Hamblen desert-parsley	Lomatium farinosum var. hambleniae	X	shoreline	PRR
Hanging moss	Antitrichia curtipendula		riparian/upland	RNWR
Hawthorn	Crataegus monogyna		riparian/upland	RNWR
Heartweed	Polygonum persicaria	X	riparian	HS; RNWR
Hendersonricegrass	Oryzopsis hendersonii	X	shorline	PRR
Himalayan blackberry	Rubus discolor	X	riparian/disturbedsites	HS; BP; RNWR
Hoary aster	Machaeranthera canescens	X	riparian	HS; MNR
Hooded lady-tresses	Spiranthes romanzoffiana		riparian	RNWR
Hoover's desert parsley	Lomatium tuberosum	X	shoreline/upland	PRR; HS
Hoover's tauschia	Tauschia hooveri	X	shoreline	PRR
Hornwort	Ceratophyllum demersum		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Howell's montia	Montia howellii		upland/riparian	
Howellia	Howellia aquatilis		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Hudson Bay currant	Ribes hudsonianum	X	riparian/upland	MNR
Inflated sedge	Carex vesicaria	X	riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Japanese knotweed	Polygonum cuspidatum		riparian	RNWR
Kalm lobelia	Lobelia kalmii	X	riparian	PRR
Kellogg's sedge	Carex lenticularis	X	riparian	HS
Lindernia	Lindernia dubia		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Longleaf phlox	Phlox longifolia	X	upland	HS; MNR
Loosestrife	Lythrum portula		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Lyngbye's sedge	Carex lyngbyei		marsh	ВВ
Marsh horsetail	Equisetum palustre	X	riparian	BP; MNR
Meadow foxtail	Alopcurus aequalis		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Medick milkvetch	Astragalus speirocarpus	X	shoreline/upland	PRR; HS
Mexican water-fern	Azolla mexicana		riparian	RNWR
Mockorange	Philadelphus lewissii		upland	RNWR
Nebraska sedge	Carex nebrascensis	X	riparian	MNR
Nootkarose	Rosa nutkana		riparian/upland	RNWR
Northern wormwood	Artemisia campestris wormskioldii	,	shoreline	HS
Norwegiancinquefoil	Potentilla norvegica	X	riparian/upland	HS
Obscure buttercup	Ranunculus reconditus	X	riparian/upland	PRR; DP
Pacific dogwood	Cornus nuttallii		riparian/upland	RNWR
Pacific silverweed	Potentilla pacifica		riparian/upland	RNWR
Pacific water-parsley	Oenanthe sarmentosa		riparian	RNWR
Pacific waterleaf	Hydrophyllum tenuipes		riparian	RNWR
Pacific willow	Salix lasiandra	X	riparian	MNR; JDP; DP; BP; BB
Peachleaf willow	Salix amygdaloides	X	riparian	PRR; HS; MNR; DP
Pennsylvaniapersicaria	Polygonum pennsylvanicum		riparian	RNWR
Pennyroyal	Mentha pulegium		riparian	RNWR
Plain'scottonwood	Populus deltoides	X	riparian	MNR; JDP; DP
Pond water-starwort	Callitriche stagnalis		riparian	RNWR

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Porcupine sedge	Carex hystricina	X	shoreline	PRR
Prairie sagebrush	Artemisia ludoviciana	X	riparian/upland	HS
Purple dragon-head	Physostegia parviflora		upland	RNWR
Purple loosestrife	Lythrum salicaria	X	riparian	HS
Pygmy-weed	Crassula aquatica		riparian	
Rabbitfootgrass	Polypogon monspeliensis	X	riparian	MNR; JDP
Red alder	Alnus rubra		slands/riparian/shoreline	BB; RNWR
Red columbine	Aquilegia formosa		riparian/upland	RNWR
Red-osier dogwood	Cornus stolonifera		riparian/sand-cobble substrate	DP; BP; BB; RNWR/BIRA
Reed canarygrass	Phalaris arundinacea	X	marsh	PRR; HS; MNR; BP; BB; RNWR/BIRA
Rigid willow	Salix rigida	X	riparian	MNR; RNWR
River willow	Salix fluviatilis	X	riparian/cobble-gravel substrate	PRR; MNR; JDP; DP; BP; BB; RNWR/BIRA
Robinson's onion	Allium robinsonii	X	shoreline/sand-rock substrate	PRR; HS
Rosy balsamroot	Balsamorhiza rosea	X	upland/shoreline	PRR; HS
Rough bugleweed	Lycopus asper	X	riparian	HS
Russian olive	Elaeagnus angustifolia	X	riparian; sand-cobble substrate	PRR; MNR; JDP; BP; BB
Salt eliotrope	Heliotropium curassavicum	X	riparian	MNR
Sandbar willow	Salix exigua ssp. exigua	X	riparian	HS
Scouler's willow	Salix scouleriana	X	riparian	HS
Sedgelike horsetail	Equisetum scirpoides		riparian	ВР
Shining flatsedge	Cyperus bipartatus	X	riparian/sand	PRR; HS
Shore buttercup	Ranunculus cymbalaria	X	riparian/upland	HS
Siberian elm	Ulmus pumila	X	riparian/upland	HS
Silky northern wormwood	Artemisia campestris borealis	X	shoreline	PRR; HS; DP
Sitka spruce	Picea sitchensis		islands/riparian	ВВ
Skunk cabbage	Lysichitum americanum		riparian	RNWR
Slenderbeak sedge	Carex athrostachya	X	riparian	HS
Slimleaf onion	Allium amplectens	X	sand	PRR
Small forget-me-not	Myosotis laxa	X	riparian/upland	HS; MNR; RNWR/BIRA
Smallfloweredbuttercup	Ranunculus abortivus	X	riparian/upland	MNR
Smartweed	Polygonum hydropiper	X	riparian	HS; RNWR
Smooth scouringrush	Equisetum laevigatum	X	riparian	HS; MNR
Soft-leaved willow	Salix sessilifolia		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Southern mugwort	Limosella aquatica	X	shoreline/sand	PRR; HS; RNWR/BIRA; CWTDNWR
Spatterdock	Nuphar polysepalum		riparian/upland	RNWR/BIRA
Spiked water-milfoil	Myriophyllum spicatum	X	riparian	HS
Squill onion	Allium scilloides	X	shoreline	PRR; HS
Stalked-podmilkvetch	Astragalus sclerocarpus	X	upland	PRR; HS
Sticky cinquefoil	Potentilla glandulosa		riparian/upland	RNWR
Stinging nettle	Urtica dioica	X	riparian/upland	HS; BP; RNWR/BIRA

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Straightbead buttercup	Ranunculus orthorhynchus		riparian/upland	RNWR
Straw-coloredflatsedge	Cyperus strigosus	X	riparian	HS
Sweetbrier	Rosa eglanteria		riparain/upland	RNWR
Fansy ragwort	Senecio jacobaea		riparian/upland	RNWR
Гarragon	Artemisia dracunculus	X	riparian/upland	HS
Thompson's sandwort	Arenaria franklinii thompsonii	X	upland/sand	HS
Thread-stalk speedwell	Veronica filiformis		riparian	RNWR
Tooth-leaved monkey-flower	Mimulus dentatus		riparian	RNWR
Γransparent milk vetch	Astragalus diaphanus diaphanus		upland/gravel substrate	
Violet suksdorfia	Suksdorfia violacea		upland/riparian	
Wapato	Sagittaria latifolia		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Water birch	Betula occidentalis	X	riparian	HS
Water horsetail	Equisetum fluviatile		marsh	ВВ
Water lentil	Lemna minor		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Water smartweed	Polygonum coccineum		riparian	RNWR
Water speedwell	Veronica anagallis-aquatica	X	riparian	HS; MNR
Water star-wort	Callitriche heterophylla		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Water-pimpernel	Samolus parviflorus		riparian	
Water-purslane	Ludwigia palustris		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Waterpepper	Polygonum hydropiperoides		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Waterweed	Eleodea canadensis	X	riparian	HS; RNWR
Watson's willowherb	Epilobium watsonii	X	riparian	HS; RNWR
Western buttercup	Ranunculus occidentalis		riparian/upland	RNWR
Western dock	Rumex occidentalis	X	riparian	MNR
Western marsh aster	Aster hesperius	X	riparian	HS
Western scouringrush	Equisetum hyemale	X	riparian	PRR; HS; MNR; JDP; BP; BB
Western virgins-bower	Clematis ligusticifolia	X	riparian	HS
Whiplash willow	Salix lasiandra	X	riparian	HS; RNWR/BIRA
White eatonella	Eatonella nivea	X	shoreline/sand	PRR
White mulberry	Morus alba	X	riparian	HS; MNR; DP; BP
White water-buttercup	Ranunculus aquatilis	X	riparian/upland	RNWR/BIRA
Willow dock	Rumex salicifolius triangulivalis	X	riparian	HS
Willow weed	Polygonum lapathifolium	X	riparian	HS; MNR; JDP; DP; BP; BB
Wiry knotweed	Polygonum majus	X	riparian	MNR
Wood's rose	Rosa woodsii	X	riparian	HS; MNR; BB
Wool-grass	Scirpus cyperinus		riparian	RNWR/BIRA
Woolly mullein	Verbascum thapsis	X	riparian/upland	HS; RNWR
Woolly sedge	Carex lanuginosa	X	riparian	HS

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Yellow and blue forget-me-not	Myosotis discolor		riparian/upland	RNWR
Yellow flag	Iris pseudocorus		riparian	RNWR
Yellow monkey-flower	Mimulus guttatus	X	riparian	MNR;RNWR
Yellow salsify	Tragopogon dubius	X	riparian/upland	HS; MNR

- a. X indicates species that occur within the study area; i.e., in or near the Columbia River between Priest Rapids Dam and McNary Dam.
- b. Locations where distribution data were available:
  - BB = Below Bonneville Dam
  - $BP = Bonneville\,pool\,$
  - CRB/SOR = Columbia River backwater south of Richland
  - $CSRC = Columbia \, River/Snake \, River \, confluence$
  - CSRC-I = Columbia River/Snake River confluence islands
  - CWTDNWR = Columbian white-tailed deer National Wildlife Refuge
  - DP = Dalles pool
  - HR = Hanford Reach
  - HS = Hanford Site
  - JDP = John Day pool
  - LCNWR = Lewis and Clark National Wildlife Refuge
  - MNR = McNary Reservoir
  - PRR = Priest Rapids Reservoir
  - RNWR = Ridgefield National Refuge
  - RNWR/BIRA = Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge Black Water Island Research Area
  - UNWR = Umatilla National Wildlife Refuge
  - WNWR = Willapa National Wildlife Refuge
- c. Common names were not available for these caddisflies.

## Appendix B

Tier I Species List for the Screening Assessment of Ecological Risk from the Columbia River

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		Screen	ning Criter	ia Used by	Panel <sup>b</sup>		Total Ro	esponses		
Species <sup>a</sup>	Commercially/ Recreationally Significant	Federal/ State Protected	Key Predator/ Prey	High Potential Exposure	Available Toxicologica 1 Benchmarks	Representative of Food Chain Level or Foraging Guild	Total Number of "No" Response s	Total Number of "Yes" Response s	Species Selected by the CRCIA Team <sup>c</sup>	
Algae	Significant	Trotected	1109	Exposure	Benemiurks	Gunu	5	5	Tourn	
Achnanthes spp.	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	3	3	NPT, CTUIR	
Asterionella spp.	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	NPT, CTUIR	
Chlorophyta spp.	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	3	3	NPT, CTUIR	
Cladophora spp.	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	3	3	NPT, CTUIR	
	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	3	3	NPT, CTUIR	
Cocconeis spp.	N N		Y	Y	Y	N N	3	3	NPT, CTUIR	
Cyclotella spp.	N N	N N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Fragilaria spp.									NPT, CTUIR	
Gomphonema spp.	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	3	3	NPT, CTUIR	
Melosira spp.	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	NPT, CTUIR	
Nitzchia spp.	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	3	3	NPT, CTUIR	
Stephanodiscus spp.	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	3	3	NPT, CTUIR	
Stigeoclonium spp.	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	3	3	NPT, CTUIR	
Amphibians										
Bullfrog	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	2	4		
Great Basin spadefoot	•								CTUIR, ERC	
Spotted frog	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	2	4		
Woodhouse toad									NPT	
Aquatic Invertebrates				П						
Caddisfly (all)	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	3	3	CTUIR, NPT, WDOE	
California floater	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	1	5	YIN	
Clams (all)									YIN	
Columbia pebblesnail	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	2	4		
Crayfish	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	1	5	CTUIR, NPT	
Crustaceans (all)									CTUIR	
Cyclops	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	CTUIR, WDOE	
Diaptomus	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	CTUIR, WDOE	
Fresh water shrimp (Hye	alella spp.)								CTUIR, WDOE, YIN	
Mayflies (all)									CTUIR	
Midge	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4		
Mussels (all)									CTUIR, NPT, YIN	
Shortface lanx	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	2	4		
Stoneflies (all)									CTUIR, WDOE, YIN	
Water flea	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	CTUIR, WDOE	

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Birds									
American coot	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	NPT, CTUIR
American kestrel									NPT
American white pelican	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	2	4	NPT, CTUIR
American wigeon	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	3	3	
Avocet									CTUIR
Bald eagle	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0	6	CTUIR, NPT
Barn owl									NPT
Belted kingfisher	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	3	3	CTUIR, NPT
Black-billed magpie									CTUIR
Black-crowned night hero	n								ERC
Blue-winged teal	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	3	3	
Bufflehead	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	2	4	
Burrowing owl									CTUIR
California quail	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	3	3	CTUIR, NPT
Canada goose									CTUIR, ERC, NPT, YIN
Caspian tern	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	3	3	
Chukar	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	3	3	
Cinnamon teal	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	3	3	
Common crow									CTUIR
Common goldeneye	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	2	4	
Common merganser	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	3	3	CTUIR, NPT
Common raven									CTUIR
Common snipe									WDFW
Double-crested cormorant									CTUIR, ERC
Eared grebe	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	3	3	CTUIR
Eurasian wigeon	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	3	3	
Forster's tern	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	3	3	NPT
Gadwall	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	3	3	
Great blue heron	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	CTUIR, NPT
Green-winged teal	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	2	4	·
Gulls (all)						1			ERC
Hawks (all)						<u> </u>			CTUIR
Hooded merganser	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	3	3	
Lesser scaup	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	2	4	
Mallard	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	2	4	CTUIR, NPT
Marsh wren									WDFW
Northern pintail	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	3	3	
Northern shoveler	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	2	4	
Osprey	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	3	3	CTUIR, NPT
Pied-billed grebe									NPT
Red-breasted merganser	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	3	3	
Red-winged blackbird	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	3	3	NPT
Ring-necked pheasant	-,	- '							CTUIR

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Sandhill crane	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	3	3	
Snow goose	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	3	3	
Swallows (all)									CTUIR, EPA, ERC, NPT
Turkey vulture									CTUIR
Virginia rail									WDFW
Emergent Vegetation									
Alkali bulrush	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	3	3	CTUIR, NPT
Baltic rush	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	2	4	CTUIR, NPT
Columbia yellow cress	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	2	4	YIN, CTUIR
Common cattail	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	2	4	CTUIR, NPT
Common spikerush	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	2	4	NPT
Hardstem bulrush	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	2	4	CTUIR, NPT
Rushes (all)									CTUIR, NPT
Softstem bulrush	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	3	3	CTUIR, NPT, YIN
Three-square bulrush	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	3	3	CTUIR, NPT
Fish									
Bull trout	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	3	3	
Channel catfish	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	1	5	CTUIR
Common carp	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	3	3	CTUIR, NPT
Fall chinook salmon	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0	6	CTUIR, NPT
Fathead minnow									CTUIR
Largemouth bass									CTUIR, ERC
Largescale sucker									NPT, WDFW
Mountain sucker	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	3	3	NPT, WDFW
Mountain whitefish	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	2	4	CTUIR, NPT
Northern squawfish	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	3	3	NPT
Pacific lamprey	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	3	3	CTUIR
Paiute sculpin									WDFW
Prickly sculpin	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	3	3	
Rainbow trout	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	2	4	CTUIR
Redside shiner	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	
Sandroller									WDFW
Smallmouth bass	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	2	4	CTUIR, ERC
Sockeye salmon	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	3	3	CTUIR
Spring chinook salmon	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	3	3	CTUIR, NPT
Steelhead trout	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	2	4	CTUIR, NPT
Summer chinook salmon	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	3	3	
Threespine stickleback									WDFW
Walleye									ERC
White sturgeon	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	2	4	CTUIR
Fungi <sup>d</sup>									CTUIR
Macrophytes									
Duckweed	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	CTUIR
Pondweed	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	CTUIR

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Water milfoil	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	CTUIR, EPA
Waterweed	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	CTUIR
Mammals			•	•	•	•	•		
Badger									CTUIR
Bats (all)									CTUIR
Beaver	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	3	3	
Black-tailed jackrabbit									CTUIR
Bobcat									WDFW, YIN
Cottontail rabbit									CTUIR
Coyote									CTUIR, NPT, YIN
Deer mouse	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	CTUIR, NPT
House mouse	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	3	3	CTUIR, NPT
Mice (all)									CTUIR, NPT
Mink	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	2	4	
Mule deer									CTUIR, ERC, NPT, WDFW
Muskrat	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	NPT
Porcupine									YIN
Raccoon									CTUIR, ERC
River otter	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	
Roosevelt elk	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	1	5	
Striped skunk									ERC, YIN
Weasel (all)									CTUIR, WDFW
Western harvest mouse	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	2	4	CTUIR, NPT
White-tailed deer	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	1	5	
Reptiles	-								
Bull snake									CTUIR, YIN
Lizards (all)									CTUIR
Turtles (all)									CTUIR, YIN
Water snake									WDOE, YIN
Western diamondback rat	tlesnake								CTUIR, YIN
Western garter snake									ERC, YIN
Whip snake									CTUIR, YIN
Terrestrial Invertebrates	s								
Ants (all)									CTUIR
Beetles (all)					Ì	Ì			CTUIR
Butterflies and moths (all)	)				Ì				CTUIR
Dragonflies(all)					Ī				CTUIR
Earthworms (all)					Ì	Ì			CTUIR, YIN
Millepedes (all)					Ì				CTUIR
Sowbugs					Ì				CTUIR
Terrestrial Vegetation									
Big sagebrush									CTUIR
Black cottonwood	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	3	3	CTUIR
Black locust	1		1						CTUIR

		Screen	ning Criter	ia Used by	Total Re	esponses			
Species <sup>a</sup>	Commercially/ Recreationally Significant	Federal/ State Protected	Key	High Potential Exposure	Available Toxicologica 1	Representative of Food Chain Level or Foraging Guild	Total Number of "No" Response s	Total Number of "Yes" Response s	Species Selected by the CRCIA Team <sup>C</sup>
Cheatgrass									CTUIR
Chokecherry									YIN
Columbia milkvetch									YIN
Common dogbane									CTUIR
Common witchgrass	•								CTUIR
Coyote willow									CTUIR
Crack willow									CTUIR
Currant									YIN
Dense sedge									CTUIR, YIN
False pimpernel									YIN
Ferns									EPA
Fox sedge	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	2	4	
Large barnyard grass									CTUIR
Little buttercup	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	2	4	
Mulberry									ERC, YIN
Rabbit brush									CTUIR
Reed canary grass									CTUIR, NPT
Russian thistle									CTUIR
Shining flatsedge									CTUIR, YIN
Silky northern wormwood	l								YIN
Southern mudwort									YIN
Tumble mustard									CTUIR
Weeping willow									CTUIR
Wild onions (all)									CTUIR, ERC
Willow									EPA, ERC, YIN
Yellow bell									CTUIR

a. Not all Tier I species in Appendix B appear individually in Appendix C as some species were grouped based on similar life style and foraging strategy before they were assigned scores.

CRCIA Team abbreviations:

CTUIR = Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

EPA = U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

 $ERC = Environmental\,Restoration\,Contract\,Team$ 

NPT = Nez Perce Tribe

 $WDFW = Washington \, Department \, of \, Fish \, and \, Wildlife$ 

WDOE = Washington Department of Ecology

YIN = Yakima Indian Nation.

The CRCIA Team added fungi as a broad taxon rather than adding individual species of fungi.

Empty cells denote those species selected by the CRCIA Team. Cells with "Y," "N," and numeric values denote those species screened by the panel of regional biologists; some of the panel's species were also selected by the CRCIA Team.

## Appendix C

Scoring of Tier I Species for the Screening Assessment of Ecological Risk from the Columbia River

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# Scoring of Tier I Species for the Screening Assessment of Ecological Risk from the Columbia River

Of the 181 Tier I species, some were grouped based on similar life styles and foraging strategies resulting in 120 species. The CRCIA Team added 5 species to the 120 for a total of 125 species. These 125 species were scored as described in the footnotes.

### Footnotes for Appendix C

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a. Rows that are not shaded contain individual scores, except rows 26 and 32 which contain ranks.
  Shaded rows contain summary scores. Biomag. = biomagnifying contaminants; Nonbiomag. =
  non-biomagnifying contaminants. Explanation of summary scores:
  row 1 = \text{summation of rows } 3 \text{ and } 5
  row 2 = summation of rows 4 and 5
  row 9 = summation of rows 10, 11, and 12
  row 14 = summation of rows 1, 9, and 13
  row 15 = summation of rows 2, 9, and 13
  row 17 = multiplication of media weightings for in-river source areas from Table 3.13 with rows 3,
  6, 7,
            8, 10, 11, 12, and 13 followed by summation of these rows
  row 18 = multiplication of media weightings for in-river source areas from Table 3.13 with rows 4,
  6,
           7, 8, 10, 11, 12, and 13 followed by summation of these rows
  row 20 = multiplication of media weightings for outfalls from Table 3.13 with rows 3, 6, 7, 8, 10,
  11,
            12, and 13 followed by summation of these rows
  row 21 = multiplication of media weightings for outfalls from Table 3.13 with rows 4, 6, 7, 8, 10,
  11,
            12, and 13 followed by summation of these rows
  row 23 = average of rows 17 and 18
  row 24 = average of rows 20 and 21
  row 25 = average of rows 23 and 24
  row 31 = summation of rows 28 and 29 with the quotient of row 25 divided by 10. A verbal
  explanation of summary scores is provided in Section 3.2.11.
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- b. Species added by the CRCIA Team.
- c. Ranks of grand average exposure scores. Ranks were assigned within taxonomic groups.
- d. Ranks of composite effect scores. Ranks were assigned within taxonomic groups.
- e. Species that occur primarily in upland areas outside the riparian zone. These species were

eliminated from	om further cor	nsideration in th	ne selection of	Tier II recept	tor species (see	Section 3.2.12)